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Viceroy Invites Mahatma Again

No Disobedience Of Prohibitory Orders

Congress President's Instructions To Provincial Committees On War Resolution

CALCUTTA, Oct. 29.

While urging the Provincial Congress Committees to bring home to the masses the implications of the Congress Working Committee's resolution on the Viceregal pronouncement, through meetings and pamphlets, the Congress President, in the course of a circular, enjoins that prohibitory orders are to be obeyed and there should be no form of Civil Disobedience except with the permission of the Congress War Sub-Committee.

Instructing the Provincial bodies to have the resolution translated in their respective languages and distribute it among the people in the form of leaflets, the Congress President advises the Congress organisations to hold meetings to explain the implications of the resolution. He however, enjoins that if meetings are prohibited in the Provinces, they are to obey the prohibitory orders. There is to be no disobedience of orders of any form of Civil Disobedience except with special permission of the sub-committee in special cases.

Setting forth some of the implication of the resolution, Dr. Rajendra Prasad says: "The resolution divides itself into three parts:—(a) the preamble, (b) the resignation of Ministers, and (c) the steps contemplated thereafter.

"The workers are most concerned with the third part of the resolution. They should, therefore, set about purging the Congress organisation of its weakness—corruption and indiscipline.

AVOID PERSONALITIES

"Meetings, public or private, should avoid criticism of the British or those parties in the country that may be opposed to the Congress. They should confine themselves to principles and avoid personalities.

"Since Civil Resistance is designed to replace violence, its first essential is that each resister has no violence in his heart. Mere non-violent action with the heart being violent is not of much consequence. Thus non-violent resistance becomes impossible until every worker has the conviction that non-violence in thought, word and deed is necessary for the attainment of our goal.

GREATEST TEST

"It should be remembered that non-violence is an all-pervading quality. Therefore, if we are truly non-violent in respect of British rulers, we should be non-violent towards one another and towards our opponents. Our non-violence to-day is put to the greatest test in respect of Hindu-Muslim relations. Congressmen have to show their non-violence, in particular, at the time of Hindu-Muslim riots by losing their lives if need be, to prevent them. They may not take sides.

"Every Congressman has to take care of the constructive side of the programme. He or she has therefore, to ply the Charkha or keep himself or herself engaged in some Khadi or village industry activity.

"If he is Hindu, he has to give such assistance as he can in the campaign against untouchability.

VOTE FOR CONGRESS

Municipal By-Election

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY.)

Prof. D. R. Gharpure—Symbol "Scales". (From Khetwadi-Tardeo Ward)
Poolling Booth—Gowalia Tank Maidan.

POLLING HOURS: FROM 7-30 A.M. to 6-30 P.M. (Bombay Time).

B.P.C.C.

'Plane Crash At Juhu

Pilot Dies In Hospital: Jaipur Maharaja Injured

MR. N. G. GADGIL, A PILOT IN THE SERVICE OF TATA'S, WAS KILLED AND THREE PASSENGERS INCLUDING H. H. THE MAHARAJA OF JAIPUR WERE INJURED IN AN AEROPLANE CRASH AT JUHU ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

The officials of the aerodrome who watched as the plane circled round in order to land, stood aghast as the plane came hurtling through the air and dropped straight down to the earth.

The plane was specially chartered by the Mararaja who flew from Jaipur to meet his sister who is arriving in Bombay on Monday by the s.s. "Conte Verde". The Maharaja was accompanied by Mahor Prithvisingh and Mr. Pudhpalsingh.

The party left Jaipur on Sunday morning and it is stated that the flight was without incident till the machine reached Juhu aerodrome about 2-30 p.m.

The machine, however, came down suddenly, while it was attempting to land. The aerodrome officers rushed to the fallen machine, extricated the pilot and the three passengers and rushed them to hospital.

PILOT DIES.

The pilot Mr. N. G. Gadgil died at the K. E. M. Hospital, a few hours after admission.

The condition of the Maharaja of Jaipur and his two companions is stated to be satisfactory.

The plane was badly damaged.

The cause of the crash is still under investigation.

It may be recalled that the same pilot was involved in a minor accident at Juhu last year, when the plane he was piloting crashed into an earthen mound while landing.

Italy's Future Task

To Continue To Work For Limitation Of Conflict

LONDON, Oct. 29.

The Balkans stand united in a neutral bloc, thanks to Italy's policy, says the Rome newspaper "Facista". The Paper adds: "Italy's future task is to continue working for the limitation of the conflict in order to prevent it destroying all values of European civilisation, which would mean that any victory would be a victory only in name.—Reuter.

Move To Placate Indian Political Parties

Reorganization Of Central Cabinet?

Viceroy To See Gandhiji & Jinnah Together?

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

NEW DELHI, Oct. 29.

DEFINITE information is available this evening that invitations have been issued to Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. M. A. Jinnah to meet the Viceroy immediately.

OBJECT OF INVITATION

It is likely the Viceroy may also meet them together and communicate certain tentative proposals for reorganisation of the Cabinet at the Centre and also the constitution, scope and functions of the Consultative Committee.

PLACATING PARTIES

It is expected Indian leaders will be invited to suggest concrete proposals, which might satisfy Indian political parties.

CONGRESS PRESIDENT ALSO INVITED

NEW DELHI, Oct. 29.

It is believed that invitations for interviews with H. E. the Viceroy have already been sent from here to Mahatma Gandhi, Mr. M. A. Jinnah and other leaders, including probably the Congress President.—United Press.

MAHATMA'S MESSENGER FOR BOMBAY

(From Our Correspondent).

NAGPUR, Oct. 29.

Considerable significance is attached to the departure of Mr. Mahadev Desai, Mahatma Gandhi's Secretary, for Bombay, at a time when Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru is already there.

FEELER FROM DELHI.

It is understood that Mr. Desai is carrying a message from Gandhiji concerning a hint received from Delhi about a fresh invitation from the Viceroy to the Congress leaders. Though the invitation has not been received from Delhi officially as yet, a feeler seems to have been sent with a view to find if the Congress would be willing to discuss the problems afresh.

CONGRESS ATTITUDE.

The indications from Delhi are that the Ministerial resignations will not be accepted until the Congress leaders are heard once more.

Mr. Desai, it is understood, has been entrusted with the work of consulting Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Sardar Patel in person regarding the Congress attitude towards a fresh call from Delhi.

"M. D." MEETS SARDAR AND JAWAHAR

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Mr. Mahadev Desai arrived in Bombay yesterday and had talks with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru prior to the latter's departure for Allahabad.

SARDAR PATEL ILL

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel has been unwell for the last two days. He had a touch of fever last night.

RESIGNATION IN U. P

LUCKNOW, Oct. 29.

The "United Press" reliably understands that the U. P. Cabinet is resigning to-morrow after the Assembly meeting is over.

It is further understood that the Congress Ministry is likely to continue in their office till their resignations are accepted, if the Governor so requests them.—United Press.

U. P. CONGRESS PARTY AND RESIGNATION

LUCKNOW, Oct. 29.

A meeting of the Congress Party in the U P. Legislature was held this afternoon, when it was decided that the Ministry should resign immediately after the debate of the Assembly to-morrow evening.—A. P.

Full Support To High Command

LUCKNOW, Oct. 29.

A meeting of the Congress Party in the U. P. Legislature was held this afternoon when a resolution was adopted mourning the death of Syed-ud-Din M.L.A.

By another resolution the Party assured the Congress High Command of the Party's full co-operation in any sacrifice that they may be called upon to offer collectively or individually.—United Press.

INSTRUCTIONS TO ASSAM PREMIER

SHILLONG, Oct. 29.

Hon. Mr. G. N. Bardoloi Premier of Assam, has received a wire from Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Chairman of the Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee enjoining upon Hon. Mr. Bardoloi to speed up the Ministry's resignation and not wait till the end of November. This is in reply to a query from Hon. Mr. Bardoloi.

The Assam Assembly has been summoned to meet.—United Press.

AT MADRAS GOVT. HOUSE

MADRAS, Oct. 29.

To-day at Government House, Guindy, His Excellency the Governor had conversations with Mr. M. C. Rajah, M.L.A., Mr. Abdul Hamid Khan, M.L.A. and others.

GETTING READY TO QUIT OFFICE

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Ministers were busy throughout to-day attending to the most important of the pending files so as to be prepared to lay down office on the last day of the month. There is no likelihood of the Harijan Disabilities Bill being sponsored for want of time. The Shop Assistants Bill which passed all the readings in the Assembly on Saturday will be placed before the Upper House on Monday. The Council was to have met on November 2 according to the original plans. But in view of the decision of the Ministry to tender resignations on October 31, the Council will reassemble on Monday to consider the Shop Assistants Bill and sanction the supplementary demands.

Public Demonstrations Arranged

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Demonstrations of the type witnessed by Poona on the day the Congress Ministry accepted office, will be arranged by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee next week in connection with the Ministerial resignations. Public meetings and processions will be arranged probably on Wednesday next, the day after the Premier of Bombay is expected to hand in the resignations.

Members of the Executive of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, and of the executive committees of the District Committees it is understood met "in camera" last night to decide upon the instructions to be given to the District and Taluka Congress Committees for the future. The most important work which the Committees are expected to undertake without delay is the enrolment of volunteers.

ALTERNATIVE FOR PROVINCES

ALLAHABAD, Oct. 29.

From an analysis of the strength of the various legisla-

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Soviet Plans Against Turkey & Rumania?

Offensive To Be Launched?

NAZI AMBITIONS IN BALKANS: NO CLASH WITH ITALY

PARIS, October 28.

AN OFFICIAL FRENCH RADIO COMMENTATOR STATED TO-NIGHT THAT CERTAIN NEUTRAL OBSERVERS IN BERLIN CONSIDER IT POSSIBLE THAT A SOVIET "OFFENSIVE" WILL BE LAUNCHED SHORTLY AGAINST RUMANIA AND TURKEY.

SUCH OFFENSIVE IN THEIR VIEW, MIGHT BE SUPPORTED BY GERMAN TROOP AND AIR MOVEMENTS IN THE WEST.

THE COMMENTATOR ADDED, THAT NAZI LEADERS ARE EVIDENTLY ATTEMPTING TO IMPRESS ON OBSERVERS THAT BOTH INTERNALLY AND ABROAD, RUSSIA AND GERMANY ARE STRONGLY LINKED, THEIR INTERESTS ARE IDENTICAL AND, THAT THEIR COLLABORATION IN THE BALKANS HAS IN NO WAY, CONFLICTED WITH ITALIAN INTERESTS.—Reuter.

RUSSO-GERMAN TRADE TALKS

Hitler To Receive Soviet Delegation In Berlin

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 29.

The Soviet Trade Delegation now in Berlin will be received by Herr Hitler shortly, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraaf."

Well-informed circles in Berlin believe that the delegation has extensive powers, and the talks will not be confined to trade matters.

Dr. Schacht is participating in the discussions and the delegates will visit the Siegfried Line, the principal ports, the shipyards and also a warship.—Reuter.

ANGLO-SOVIET TRADE TALKS

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 28.

Russia is anxious to conclude discussions with Finland in order have her hands free in South-Eastern Europe particularly in the Balkans, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraaf."—Reuter.

Allied Air Force To Reach Triple Of Nazi Strength

AIR BATTLES DEMONSTRATE SUPERIORITY OF FRENCH 'PLANES

PARIS, Oct. 29.

The combined British and French Air Force will in a few months possess three-fold of Germany's number of aeroplanes according to a summary of the French Air Force activities published in newspapers.

FRENCH SUPERIORITY.

The summary adds that the number of persons employed in French aeroplane factories is expected to reach 300,000 shortly, giving five-fold production as compared with the previous period. Numerous air battles have clearly demonstrated the superiority both in material and handling of French 'planes as compared with German. It is hoped that this superiority will be greatly increased.

Since the commencement of the war 250 day and 74 night reconnaisance flights have yielded valuable information about enemy preparations and organisation of the Siegfried Line.—Reuter.

A. J. MUIRHEAD DEAD

Former Under-Secretary Of State For India

LONDON, October 29

The death has occurred of Lt.-Colonel A. J. Muirhead.

Lt.-Col. A. J. Muirhead, M. P. was found dead in bed by the butler of his house in Oxfordshire this morning. He has not been in good health for some time.

(Col. Muirhead was till recently Under-Secretary of State for India since May, 1938. He was Under-Secretary for Air 1937-38 after being Parliamentary Secretary for Ministry of Labour.)

WOUNDED ON WESTERN FRONT

LONDON, Oct. 29.

An Ambulance train bringing the first British sickness and accident cases from the Western Front pulled to-night into a country station near London were

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TROOPS FROM INDIA

LONDON, Oct. 29.

It is officially stated that all troops from India have arrived safely at their distinations and no Indian units have suffered any loss.

Some Indian naval officers have joined the British Fleet.—Reuter.

NEW SLOVAKIAN CABINET

BERLIN, Oct. 28.

Dr. Tiso, President of Slovakia, has announced his Cabinet.

The previous Deputy Prime Minister M. Tuka becomes Prime Minister, M. Durcansky assumes charge of Home Affairs in addition to Foreign Affairs.

Otherwise, there are no changes, states the German News Agency. —Reuter.

CLASHES IN PRAGUE

LONDON, Oct. 29.

The Anniversary of Czecho-slovakian Republic was observed yesterday.

The Germans have placed a ban on public demonstrations but in Prague many people defied the order by wearing national colours. Several clashes occurred with the police and a number of arrests were made.—Reuter.

ON WESTERN FRONT

"Very Reduced Activity"

PARIS, Oct. 29.

A 'communique' states: "There was very reduced activity during the night.—Reuter.

PARIS: October 28.

In addition to men of 49 and 50, Government are demobilising fathers of more than [illegible] children. —Reuter.

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Wanted: Well connected and influential gentlemen to work as Superintendents of Agencies for all the Divisions of Bombay on liberal terms for a progressive life office run on sound, economic and unique lines. Renewals permanent and hereditary. For further particulars apply before 1-11-39 to: P. D. Khosla, M. A., Managing Director, The Policyholders' Assurance Ltd., Central Bank Building, Lahore. (1210)

Applications are invited for a post of Wireless Research Assistant in the Office of the Electrical Engineer-in-Chief, Posts and Telegraphs Department, Alipore, Calcutta. The appointment will be temporary for three and half months from 15th November, 1939, on a fixed salary of Rs. 200 per mensem. Candidates should be qualified in advanced Communication Engineering, with practical experience preferably in wireless research work. Applications giving full details of qualifications and experience should reach the undersigned by the 10th November, 1939. Electrical Engineer-in-Chief, Telegraph Storeyard, Alipore, Calcutta. (1273)

327. AGENTS WANTED

Wanted—Agents for Kerosene and Petrol sales throughout India. Apply with one anna postal stamp, Manager, Trade Co-operative [illegible] Janjikar Street, Haji [illegible] Koliwada, Bo[illegible] (12429)

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J. F. PAISLEY,
Executive Engineer,
Poona Division.
Office of the Ex. Engr.
Poona Division.
Poona, 27th October 1939.
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Dated this 27th day of October, 1939.

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(1283)

Public Notices

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

An ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on MONDAY the 6th November 1939, at 2-30 p.m. (Bombay Time), for the consideration of the following business:—

1. (a) Letter from the Principal and Secretary, Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute—Requesting that steps be taken to fill in the vacancy on the Board of the Institute caused by the death of Mr. G. V. Kapadia; and (b) election of a Corporation's representative on the Board.

2. Letter from the Municipal Secretary—(a) Reporting the vacancy caused on the Tramways and Telephone Committee in place of Mr. N. P. A. Smith who ceased to be a Councillor; and (b) election of a member on the above Committee.

3. Interpellations.

4-31. Letters from the authorities of the (4) Shradhanand Anath Mahilashram, Matunga, conducted by the Hindu Women's Rescue Home Society; (5) Charitable Dispensary conducted by the Maharashtra Ayurved Mahavidyalaya in Mughbhat; (6) Bal Sambhaji Vyayam Shala, Naigaum; (7) Bharateeya Taroon Sangh, Chinchpokli; (8) Urdu Library and Free Reading Room at Madanpura Settlement of the Social Service League; (9) Ramdas Vyayam Mandir, Girgaum; (10) Society for the Protection of Children in Western India; (11) Hindi Pustakalaya, Sat-Rasta; (12) Free Reading and Travelling Library, etc., of the Social Service League at Parel; (13) Model Industrial School; (14) Shree Samarth Vyayam Mandir, Dadar; (15) King George V Memorial; (16) Hindu Sewak Samaj; (17) Mazagaon Nootan Vyayam Mandir; (18) Telugu Free Library at Kamathipura; (19) Koor Institute of Physical Culture; (20) Bombay Dumb and Deaf Institution, Girgaum; (21) Anjuman-e-Sadatul Kaunain, Bombay; (22) Passengers' and Traffic Relief Association; (23) Muslim Educational Service League; (24) Bhatia Stree Mandal; (25) Depressed Classes Mission Society of India; (26) Bombay Presidency Released Prisoners' Aid Society, (27) Bombay Presidency Women's Council Rescue Home at Umerkhadi; (28) Adult Education Committee for the City of Bombay and Suburbs; (29) Young Men's Hindu Association; (30) All Saints' Home, Mazagaon; and (31) Kot (Fort) Hindu Stri Mandal—Applying for grants-in-aid of their respective institutions.

32-42. Letters from the authorities of the (32) Kamathipura Dispensary of the Ayurvediya Dharmarth Davakhana Mandal; (33) Victoria Memorial School for the Blind; (34) Madanpura Urdu Library and Free Reading Room of the Social Service League; (35) Bombay Vigilance Association; (36) Industrial Schools for Women of the Social Service League; (37) Young Men's Hindu Association; (38) Bai Yamunabai L. Nair Charitable Hospital; (39) Bai Bachubhai Kanji Karsondas Charitable Dispensary for Children; (40) Bombay Presidency Released Prisoners' Aid Society; (41) Textile Technical School of the Social Service League; and (42) Maharashtra Seva Mandal—Forwarding annual reports, etc., of their respective institutions.

43-46. Letters from the authorities of the (43) Swastik League; (44) Gujerati Hindu Stree Mandal; (45) Bombay Branch of Baby and Health Week Association; and (46) New Young Muslim Brotherhood—Thanking the Corporation for sanctioning grants-in-aid of their respective institutions for 1939-40.

47. Letter from Mr. D. S. Karnik —Regarding the inadequacy of the staff in Primary Schools in F and G Wards.

48. Letter from Mr. V. P. Vaity and others—Requesting that a 5th and a 6th Standard class be opened in the Naigaum Road Municipal Girls' School.

49. Letter from Mr. Vithal Pandurang—Regarding the condition of the Municipal School building at Kandewady.

50. Letter from Messrs Desai and Co., Solicitors, on behalf of their clients, Messrs Andaji Sawaji and Co.—Regarding compensation in respect of certain denotified properties at Dharavi.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee—

51-52. Regarding the supply of electric energy to (51) certain Pumping Stations in the City; and (52) the Purification Plant at Dadar.

53. Regarding the cost of running the Pumping Station at Dharavi.

54. Recommending additional grants to meet charges incurred by the different departments in excess of Budget grants for 1938-39 and previous years.

55. Regarding the creation of a temporary post of an Assistant Accountant.

56. Regarding the work of planting box hedge, etc., at the central reserved strip along the Hornby Vellard.

57. Forwarding a list of letters from the Municipal Auditors pending disposal by the Standing Committee.

58. Regarding the construction of an R. C. C. Fernery at the Malabar Hill Reservoir, etc.

59. Regarding the supply of vegetarian and non-vegetarian foodstuffs for the Municipal Hospitals.

60. Forwarding copies of the Capital and Revenue accounts of the Industrial Housing Schemes for the years 1936-37 and 1937-38.

61. Regarding repayment of principal and interest of a Municipal debenture.

62. Regarding plans and estimates for certain works in connection with the K. E. M. Hospital Extension Scheme.

63. Regarding grant for payment of premium to lessees of certain plots in Suparibaug Estate.

64. Regarding the provision of a pumping plant at Vehar.

65. Regarding amendment of the Rule for granting exemption to acting Municipal employees for furnishing securities.

66. Recommending an additional advance to meet the estimated further expenditure at the Municipal Workshops.

67. Regarding rent charged to the conservancy staff accommodated in Municipal chawls.

68. Regarding installation of a sludge gas purifier plant at the Dadar Purification Works.

69. Recommending a grant towards the construction and maintenance of a Children's Home at Chembur.

70. Regarding the Municipal Auditors' Report on the examination of Main and Ward Office ledgers of the Assessment and Collection Department for the year 1937-38.

71. Regarding steps taken to adjust certain outstanding Bills of ex-Trust Solicitors.

72. Recommending transfer of a Budget grant.

Resolutions of the Improvements Committee—

73. Regarding the question of re-naming certain ex-Improvement Trust chawls.

74. Regarding the question of allowing the lessee of a plot in Nowroji Hill Estate, to surrender his lease.

75. Recommending sanction to the lessee of certain plots at Princess Street Estate being permitted to retain certain unauthorised works.

76. Recommending sanction to the building tenant of a Plot in Sydenham Estate, being permitted to retain a portion of gallery constructed by him.

Resolutions of the Special Committees—

77. Regarding construction of quarters for the staff working at the Dadar Purification Works.

78. Regarding paving of certain footpaths in the City.

79. Regarding replacement of an ovoid sewer in Khetwadi Back Road.

80. Regarding the work of laying water mains in ex-Trust Dharavi Scheme.

81. Regarding measures for the protection of certain portions of the Bhandarwada Hill slope.

82. Regarding the work of laying a water main in Vithalbhai Patel Road.

83. Regarding the enlargement, etc., of a water main in Carmichael Road.

84. Regarding the provision of a Hindu Cemetery at Dharavi.

85. Regarding proposals for planting of trees, etc., on the Chowpatty Foreshore.

86. Regarding the grant of permits to persons working at Kurla Slaughter Houses and charging of fees therefor.

87. Regarding the desirability of introducing Season Tickets for trams and buses in the City.

88. Regarding installation of Telephone call-boxes at certain road junctions in the City.

89. Schools Committee's letter—Forwarding a quarterly list of unanswered references from the Corporation.

Letters from the Commissioner—

90. Forwarding quarterly statements of motor vehicles taxed and exempted.

91. Forwarding the monthly Analytical and Bacteriological Reports on the Bombay Water Supplies.

92. Regarding quarterly statement showing the quantity of water brought into the City from the various lakes, etc.

93. Regarding permission for change of user in respect of a plot in Hornby Road Estate.

94. Letter from the Municipal Secretary—Requesting the Corporation to appoint their representatives on the Managing Bodies of certain institutions to which grants are made.

95. Letter from Mr. W. R. G. Smith, C.I.E.—Reporting that he had taken charge of the office of the Commissioner of Police.

96. Letter from Mr. Soonderdas Morarjee—Regarding the absence of Mr. R. A. Gole from meetings of the Corporation.

97. Report of the Committee of the Corporation regarding the question of fixing a limit for accumulations in the Net Premia Fund, etc.

98. Confirmation of the Special Committees' Proceedings.

99. Schools Committee's letters —Forwarding copies of the Committee's proceedings.

Notices of Motions—

100. From Mr. E. R Hirjibehedin, seconded by Mr. Mohanlal M. Desai—For expressing the Corporation's regret at the death of Mr. Nanabhai N. Saher.

101-108. From Mr. B. J. Deorukhkar—For (101) considering the advisability of providing free meals to children of poorer and working classes attending Municipal Schools during school hours; (102) payment of salaries, etc., to Municipal staff before the 10th of each month; (103) re-distribution of elective seats on the Corporation between all the wards; (104) fixing a minimum age for a candidate seeking election to the Corporation; (105) requiring the production of a birth certificate before a child is admitted to a Municipal school; (106) increasing the number of members on the Statutory Committee from 16 to 19, etc.; (107) requiring that the Mayor of Bombay should be elected by the citizens direct and should hold office for the complete term of the Corporation; and (108) fixing the age limit at 18 instead of at 21 for the exercise of franchise by the Scheduled Classes.

109. From Dr. J. N. Choksy—For providing lower second footboards to the coaches of the suburban electric trains of the B. B. and C. I. Railway.

110. From Mr. R. S. Nimbkar—For payment of wages to the daily paid staff for the day of inauguration of prohibition which was declared as a public holiday.

111-118. From Mr. K. H. Goregaoker—For (111) framing rules for the refund of Urban Immovable Property Tax in cases of vacancies; (112) enquiring into the causes of the delay in replying to an interpellation by the Commissioner; (113) giving instructions to school children in "Safety first Sense"; (114) keeping open the Municipal Dispensaries and other medical institutions in the afternoons of Sundays and other public holidays; (115) including in the Administration Reports and also in the Health Officer's Quarterly reports detailed particulars regarding use of "Not-wanted babies' cradles;" (116) obtaining reports from the Commissioner of the work done at each of the Municipal Tuberculosis clinics in the City; (117) discontinuing the licenses granted for the exhibition of cinema films at Sandhurst Bridge and in the compound of the Royal Opera House; and (118) revising the rates of conveyance allowances paid to Municipal Officers, etc.

119-121. From Mr. S. S. Mirajkar—(119) Regarding the question of giving immediate relief to the textile workers thrown out of employment due to closing down of night shifts, etc; (120-121) for requesting the Commissioner to submit proposals for (120) covering up all open channels and drains; and 121 paving footpaths in the northern parts of the City.

By Order of His
Worship the Mayor,
S. N. DAMLE,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 28th October 1939.
(1285)

PROHIBITION NOTICE

In order to give time for the Committee appointed by Government to examine interim permits granted for the consumption of foreign liquor otherwise than on grounds of health or for religious ceremonies, it is hereby notified that all interim permits for the consumption of foreign liquor expiring on 31st October, 1939, other than those granted on the grounds of health or for religious ceremonies are extended so as to be valid for the period from 1-11-1939 to 30-11-1939, unless in any individual case the undersigned direct otherwise.

A Public intimation will be given later regarding the dates before 30th November, on which interim permits must be presented for replacement by regular permits.

H. F. KNIGHT,
Commissioner of Excise.
Old Custom House, Fort,
Bombay, 26th October, 1939.
(1280)

Public Notices

P. W. D.

SEALED PERCENTAGE RATE TENDERS for Police Accommodation Scheme at Andheri and Kurla each costing about Rs. 1,50,000/- will be received in the office of the Undersigned on Wednesday the 15th November, 1939, up to 4 p.m. (S.T.) and opened on the same day.

Tender forms with specifications may be obtained on payment of Rs. 5/- per set on any working day up to 4 p.m. (2 p.m. on Saturdays) except the day of receiving Tenders.

Each Tenderer is required to lodge a deposit of Rs. 2,000/- as Earnest Money which should be paid into the Reserve Bank of India or a District Treasury and the Bank receipt or the Treasury Chalan should accompany separately each Tender. Without Earnest Money no tender will be considered.

The successful tenderer will be required to lodge a total sum of Rs. 6,000/- as Security Deposit. The right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning reasons is reserved.

Sd—N. V. S. Murti
Executive Engineer, Presidency.
Bombay 28th October, 1939.

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from persons who are natives of the Bombay Province for the posts of tracers in the Rural Development Department, in the time-scale of Rs. 35-5/2-80. Persons already in Government service are eligible to apply if permitted by the Heads of their Departments.

QUALIFICATIONS.—Candidates should atleast possess a diploma in civil engineering or must be trained sub-overseers.

AGE LIMIT—Candidates should not ordinarily be less than 18 and more than 25 years (28 years in the case of Backward and Intermediate classes including the Mohamedans) of age at the time of appointment.

Applications must be made by the candidates in their own handwriting and should be forwarded to this office along with COPIES of certificates and testimonials regarding age, character, qualifications, languages known, experience and past service, if any. The selected candidates will be appointed on an officiating basis in the first instance. Canvassing of any sort, direct or indirect, will disqualify the candidate. Applications should reach this office not later than 21st November 1939. Applications should not be sent to the undersigned by name but to his official designation only.

M. D. BHANSALI.
Registrar,
Co-operative Societies, and
Director of Rural Development,
Bombay Province, Poona.
POONA, 27th Oct. 1939
1281

PATHE
Daily: 3-30, 6-30 & 10 p.m.
SAGAR'S GRAND COMEDY
BHOLE-BHALE
or POOR SWEETHEARTS
MAYA, BIBBO, PREM ADIB, ARUN, ADVANI
2ND WEEK

WEST END
Daily: 4, 7 & 10 p.m.
GENERAL FILMS LTD.'S
PATI-PATNI
ZENANA SHOW
AT 1 P.M.
on Wednesday, 1st Nov.

MINERVA'S "PUKAR" or "THE GREAT MOGHUL"
Directed By: SOHRAB MODI
THIRTEENTH CITY WEEK
IN
MINERVA
DAILY: 3-30, 6-30 & 10 P.M.
—An EVERGREEN Release!

GERMAN FIRM EMPLOYEES DEMAND COMPENSATION

Deputation To Home Minister Explains Their Sad Plight

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

On behalf of the Indian employees of Enemy Firms of Bombay, a Deputation consisting of Messrs. K. S. Hirlekar, T. K. Menon, N. S. V., Mani, and S. W. Kenkre waited upon the Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, Home Minister to the Government of Bombay and Member of the Bombay Presidency War Purposes Committee, on Saturday.

The members of the deputation which was headed by Mr. S. K. Patil, M.L.A., explained to the Home Member that they represented about 1,500 employees who lost their jobs on the outbreak of war, from a total of about 17 major and mainly individual firms in Bombay alone. These men came from different parts of India and their only means of subsistance was the salary which they used to draw from the firms where some of them had put in 30 years' service. Most of them were thrown out of employment on September 3, without previous intimation or compensation, while in the case of a few, they were served with one month's notice, and during the notice period also they were forced to continue in service at the order of the Assistant to the Deputy Controller of Enemy Firms, Bombay, who threatened to prosecute them for absence from office, under the Defence of India Ordinance, the punishment being up to seven years' imprisonment and fine.

As on these 1,500 men from the City of Bombay alone, were dependent about a few more thousands of others and as no relief like provident funds had been made for many of them, and even where it had been introduced it was only recently, the deputation represented that the members of their Association were considerably hard hit.

They further represented to the Home Minister that in the case of the European staff of these Enemy Firms, most of them received six to eight months' salary in advance a few days before the outbreak of war and their subsequent internment and their families were now well looked after while the British subjects who lost their jobs for no fault of theirs were not even given reasonable compensation though the assets of the firms amounted to millions of rupees. The deputation requested, that under the circumstances, they should be given a generous but reasonable compensation of at least 6 months' salary.

The Hon. Mr. Munshi gave a sympathetic hearing and evinced great interest in the plight of these men and promised to place their grievances before the Government of India.

GERMAN INSURANCE COMPANY

Policy-Holders Seek Govt. Intervention

CALCUTTA, Oct. 28.

A largely signed representation has been sent to the Superintendent of Insurance, Government of India, by policy-holders of the Allianz und Stuttgarter urging the desirability of reopening the Company at an early date or effecting some arrangement to assure the safety and interests of the policy-holders and meet other liabilities of the Company. The representation wanted that some indication should be given of the action proposed to be taken by the Government for the benefit of the policy-holders.—United Press.

Is Christianity A Failure?

Under the auspices of the Kanara Catholic Association, Bombay, a leture on—"Is Christianity a failure"? was delivered on Saturday at the Nagpada Neighbourhood House, by Rev. Fr. Thomas Sequeira S. J. the Editor of "The New Review", Calcutta. Mr. Mark S. Noronha, the President of the Association was in the chair.

Fr. Sequeira said that the question was not one merely of our times, but in fact it was one as old as Christianity itself. Fr. Sequeira maintained that Christianity was not a sort of medicine or tonic to cure all the ills that manifested themselves in this world, but that it was a Divine religion embodying in itself a set of moral principles and beliefs meant more for spiritual uplift than for anything else. Meant as it, therefore, was for the practice of ordinary human beings who professed that faith, the human element always uncertain in its manifestation, remained, and thus it was that we saw from time to time a complete deviation from the precepts and teachings of the Christian Church.

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On The Air

OCTOBER, 30.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s.)

8-0 a. m. Chand Khan 8-20 Benzaribai of Jaipur 8-35 Inst. Duet. 9-0 Gordhan Das. 9-20 Ahmad Khan. 9-40 Clarionet Recital 9-50 Mohammad Iqbal. 10-0 Ghazalen. 11-30 Geets, Grave & Gay.

1-0 p. m. Out of the Box. 2-0 School Broadcast. 5-0 Gordhan Das. 5-15 Radio Orchestra 5-25 Benazirbai. 5-40 Albert Sandler and his Orchestra. 6-10 A I R Instrumentalists 6-15 I Knew a man, 5. Dagh: A talk in (H.) By B. Dehlavi. 6-30 Kumari Manoo Banerjee. 6-40 Mohammad Iqbal. 6-50 Radio Orchestra. 6-55 Ahmad Khan. 7-5 Chand Khan 7-20 Kedara on Sitar. 7-30 For Villagers. 8-15 Gordhan Das. 8-30 Traffic in Women. 8-45 Benazirbai of Jaipur. 9-45 Nite Club Boys.

Delhi II—Programme

31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s.)

8-0 to 10-30 & 11-30 a. m. to 2-40 p. m. As in Delhi I.

60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s.)

5-0 to 6-30 p. m. As in Delhi 1. 6-30 Chand Khan. 6-50 Benazirbai. 7-10 Instrumental Trio. 7-15 Gordhan Das. 7-30 Kumari Manoo Banerjee. 7-45 Ahmad Khan. 8-0 Tak Dhum Kit: 8-5 Mohammad Iqbal. 8-15 to 9-45 As in Delhi 1. 9-45 Apni Apni Passand.

Delhi III—Programme

19.62 metres (15,290 kc/s.)

8-40 to 9-0 & 9-10 to 10-30 & 11-30 a. m. to 2-30 p. m. As in Delhi 1.

31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s.)

5-45 to 7-0 & 8-25 to 8-45 & 9-0 to 10-30 p. m. As in Delhi 1.

Lahore Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s.)

8-0 a. m. Music (I.) 9-0 Music (I.)

1-0 p. m. Recorded Music. 6-10 Devotion. 6-20 Mubarak Ali Khan. 6-30 For Countryside. 7-0 Bibi Narindar Kaur. 7-10 Khursheedbai Hujruwali. 7-30 Mubarak Ali Khan. 7-45 Instrumental Trio. 7-50 Chalo Prem Nagar. 8-0 Sarshar as reformer and translator A talk in (H.) by M. D. Taseer. 8-15 Reminiscences. 8-30 Mubarak Ali Khan. 8-40 Inst. Interlude. 8-50 Kumari Indra Kohli 9-45 A talk by Capt. L. A. C. Fry. 10-0 Malwanji on Violin. 10-10 Khursheedbai Hujruwali.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)

8-0 a. m. Keep Fit. 8-10 Juthika Roy and Kamaldas. 8-15 News (M.) 8-20 News (G.) 8-25 Ishtiyaq Ahmed. 8-40 News (H.) 8-50 News (E.) 9-0 Surrendra 9-10 A I R Chorus. 9-20 Iqbal Bibi. 9-35 Kesarabai Bandodker.

12-30 p. m. Sindhi Songs. 12-45 Garbas (G.) 12-57 News (H.) 1-0 Marathi Bhavgeets. 1-10 Mutual Understanding. 1-25 Duets. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Music. 6-0 Film Songs. 6-15 Leela. 6-25 News (M. 6-30 News (G.) 6-35 Ghazals. 6-0 News (E.) 6-5 News (H.) 6-10 V. S. Nasikkar. 6-20 Shahzadi. 6-30 Gujarati Children's Hour. 7-0 Trade Review (G.) 7-15 Durdaivi Rangoo. 1.. 7-30 Com. News. 7-45 Iqbal Bibi. 7-55 News (M.) 8-10 News (G.) 8-25 Iqbal Bibi. 8-30 Four Pastors and an Unbeliever. 8: A talk. 8-45 Shahzadi. 8-55 Talk of Town. 9-0 News (H.) 9-20 News (E.) 9-45 Kesarbai Bandooker. 10-20 Latest Hits. 10-30 News.

Bombay II—Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s.)

8-0 to 10-0 a. m. & 12-30 to 2-30 p. m. As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s.)

5-0 to 6-10 p. m. As in Bombay 1. 6-10 Iqbal Bibi. 6-20 Ishtiyaq Ahmed. 6-30 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1. 9-30 Introduction. 9-35 Elli Millet: Pianoforte. 9-50 Orhestra of Opera Comique. Paris. 10-0 Sebastian Yaz: Violin. 10-10 Egidio Verga: Violoncello. 10-30 News.

Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes for Calcutta time.)

370.4 metres (810 kc/s.)

8-40 a. m. Alihusain and Party. 9-0 Shahnai Concert. 9-15 Robin Roy. 10-30 Bhaktir Mantra.

12-30 p. m. Mikado: Act 1. 1-30 School Broadcast. 1-50 Music. 1-57 Stories Retold. 2-17 Three selected songs. 5-0 Music of Countryside. 5-30 For Countryside. 5-45 For Countryside. 6-5 For Countryside. 6-30 Purbanuraga. 7-30 Steps 7-45 Samaresh Chowdhuri. 9-5 Dinner Table Discussions. 9-20 Pablo Casals: Cello. 9-0 You and Your Radio. 3. 9-30 News in English. 9-45 Popular Numbers Film Hits.

Calcutta II—Programme

31.48 metres (9,530 kc/s.)

8-30 to 9-30 & 10-30 to 11-30 a. m. & 12-30 to 2-30 p. m. As in Calcutta 1.

61.98 metres (4,840 kc/s.)

5-0 to 5-30 p. m. As in Calcutta 1. 5-30 Nirmal Chandra Sarkar. 5-45 Satya Ch. Mittra. 6-0 Saraju Roy. 6-15 Ghose. 6-30 to 9-30 As in Calcutta 1. 9-30 Your Choice.

Madras I—Programme

211 metres (1,421 kc/s.)

7-30 a. m. Male Celebrities. 8-10 Tappevaridi. (T.) 8-30 Instrumental Mosaic.

1-0 p. m. T. D. Cunniah Naidu: Voice. 1-35 T. D. Cunniah Naidu: Voice. 2-0 H. S. Educational Broadcasts. 4-0 Childrens Educational Broadcasts. 4-30 Music (E.) 5-0 Carnatic Orchestra. 5-20 Shrimati Gouri Ramunni Menon: Voice and Veena. 6-5 P. S. Visvanatha Iyer Flute. 6-45 Shrimati Gouri Ramunni Menon: Voice and Veena. 7-0 Endless Chain: Cholas (T.) 7-50 Madura Mani Iyer: Voice. 8-50 Flying High. 2. 9-45 A I R Gottuvadyam 10-0 Sirothunda Nayanar Charitram.

Madras II—Programme

31.35 metres (9,570 kc/s.)

7-30 to 9-0 a. m. & 1-0 to 2-30 p. m. As in Madras 1.

60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s.)

4-0 to 6-5 As in Madras 1. 6-5 Bhajan. 6-15 Humorous Skit. (T.) 6-25 Parasites on Poultry. 6-35 Ballads by Prayaga N. Sastri. 6.45 to 9-30 As in Madras 1. 9-30 Nights at the Ballet. 9-40 Dr. H. Chatterjee: Tenor. 10-0 Nocturnes: Dance Music. 10-20 Girls of Golden West.

Hyderabad Programme

411 metres (730 kc/s.)

9-0 p. m. V. V. Gupta, Carnatic Vocal. 9-20 "Indian and Comonwealth Affairs" in Sept. 9-35 Carnatic Vocal Music 10-15 Carnatic Vocal Music.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

	H. M.	H. M.
Calcutta Mail (Chheokt)	9 40	20 10
Madras Mail	6 00	22 00
Peshawar Lucknow (Express.) ..	6 15	22 30
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	9 10	17 40
Madras Express	10 15	14 25
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	12 36	17 20
Nagpur Express	15 0	20 55
Poona Fast Pass	16 50	11 50
Poona Express	19 32	8 05
Allahabad Express	21 0	6 15
Deccan Queen (on Fridays only) ..		17 15
Deccan Queen (on Mondays only)	10 35	
		6 40

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

	Arr. H. M.	Dep. H. M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 50
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	7 25	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	6-45	21 30
Kathiawar Mail	6-45	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15 (Mon).	21 15 (Sat.)
*The Flying Ranee Surat .	9 58	15 ..
The Flying Ranee Surat .	10 58	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawr Express	18 45	8 45

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, this train will run on Tuesday.

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER.

	Arr.
Frontier Mail (on Saturday only for London)	8-40

Uncertainty Regarding Loan Programme

WALL-STREET AND LOCAL BUYING IN N. Y. COTTON

Short Covering And Hedging

Bombay, Oct 28

Activity on the New York cotton market was restricted on Friday by the easiness of outside markets and uncertainties with regard to the loan programme.

NEW YORK MARKET

The market opened steady. Continued price fixing for nears and Wall Street and local buying absorbed moderately heavy foreign and domestic long liquidation. Prices sagged on Eastern hedging and December liquidation which met trade buying on the scale down. Finally covering on the rally of Stocks and Wheat appeared.

At the opening December was quoted 7 points up at 9.15 which was the highest level. Later with increased selling prices declined to 9.05 which was the lowest level reached at noon. In the afternoon prices rallied on covering and the market closed at a net rise of 2 to 4 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 3 points at 9.39c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was fairly steady and closed at a rise of one point. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 9.20c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of one point with January 5.80. Trade calling and local buying on steadier. Eastern markets absorbed hedging at limits. Relative easiness reflected unexpected tenders. The market closed at a decline of 5 points to a rise of 2 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices declined 2 points at 6.38d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Giza futures closed 3 points down to 4 points up. Uppers futures gained 5 to 7 points. The Alexandria market was firm with Sakels closing at a rise of 24 to 52 points and Ashmouni futures gained 8 to 6 points.

LOCAL REVIEW

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee state:—

The Bombay cotton market this week remained two-sided and shows no material change from last week's closing. The decision of the Congress Working Committee calling upon the Congress Ministries to resign by the end of this month coupled with reports of increased movement of the C. P. and Berar crop brought about a sharp decline in prices in the beginning of the week, Broach April/May touching as low as Rs. 191 3/4 (20th October). The market then recovered on buying by Offices and some straddle covering. Broach April/May rising to Rs. 197 1/2 (24th October). The linking of the Japanese Yen to the U. S. Dollar from Sterling had not much effect on our market although it declined temporarily on this announcement. The opinions on this change are rather mixed. Subsequently, conditions have been quiet. The New York market steadily worked higher on reports of the approval by the Department of Agriculture of the provisions for the Loan programme, the strength of Securities and the growing belief that the War will last a long time. The American Ginnings up to October 18 have been 8,875,000 bales against 8,929,000 bales same time last year. The Liverpool market is steady, hedging and Bombay selling being absorbed by trade calling. The firmness of Alexandria also imparted steadiness.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York December highest (10 a.m.)	9.15+07
New York December lowest (11-59 p.m.)	9.05—03
Liverpool October highest	5.85—01
Liverpool October lowest	5.80—06

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: Recent strength markets in face hedging pressure impressive. Some downward reaction appears due but if Liverpool market acts well, would, prefer go long of American. Reaction Egyptian to recent control arrangements uncertain but short side seems no longer attractive.

New York: Favour purchases July.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following cable from their New York friends:—

'Cotton price fixing continues principally December ginnings slightly lower than expected scattered holding movement increasing on indicated loan same as 1938 except location differentials provided for. Expect steady markets with increased hedge selling on upturns.'

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Oct. 28.

October	—
December	9.10
January	9.05
March	8.95
May	8.85
July	8.70
Middling Spot	9.31
	nominal

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Oct. 28.

October	—
December	9.20
January	9.14
March	9.05
Middling Spot	9.20
	nominal

11 A.M. RATES NOON CALL

London, Oct. 28.

December	—
March	—
May	—

NEW YORK COTTON

New Contracts

New York, Oct 27

DECEMBER	9.30+02
JANUARY	9.19+02
MARCH	9.09+02
MAY —	8.97+04
JULY	8.82+04
OCTOBER	8.40+03

COTTON PIECE-GOODS & YARN

Bombay, Oct. 27.

Grey, Unbleached.—

	Per lb.	Rs.	a.	p.
Longcloth (Standard Quality)	,,	0	9	5
Longcloth (Fine Quality) ,,		0	14	3
Shirtings	,,	0	8	11
Shirtings (Vegetable Quality)	,	0	8	7
Leopard Cloth	,,	0	8	11
Dhoties (upto 1/2" nakhi Border)	,,	0	9	9
Domestics	,,	0	7	8
Domestics	,,	0	7	3
Chadars	,,	0	9	2
White Bleached:—				
Longcloth	per piece	12	0	0
Drill	,,	7	9	6
Yarns.—				
4s (All Waste)	per lb	0	3	6
6½s (All Waste)	,,	0	4	1
8½s	,,	0	5	0
10½s	,,	0	5	6
12½s	,,	0	5	9
16s	,,	0	6	8
20s	,,	0	7	3
24s	,,	0	7	10
32s	,,	0	9	2
40s	,,	0	9	10
60s	,,	0	15	5
80s	,,	1	6	5

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Oct 28

(Through the Seeds Traders' Association, Ltd.).

Castorseeds May—			
Opening	Rs.	39	8 0
Highest		40	4 0
Lowest		39	8 0
Closing		40	4 0
Groundnuts Feb—			
Opening		36	5 0
Highest		36	7 9
Lowest		36	3 6
Closing		36	7 9
Cottonseeds Jan—			
Opening		24	7 0
Highest		24	10 0
Lowest		24	6 0
Closing		24	9 9

High & Low Cotton Prices

Bombay, Oct 27

Broach A/M highest 198 1/2 lowest 196 3/4 closing at 5 p.m. 197

Oomra D/J highest 186 1/2 lowest 184 3/4 closing at 5 p.m. 184 3/4

Oomra March highest 185 1/2 lowest 183 3/4 closing at 5 p.m. 183 3/4

Bengal D/J highest 147 3/4 lowest 146 1/2 closing at 5 p.m. 146 1/2

Bengal March highest 149 1/4 lowest 147 3/4 closing at 5 p.m. 147 3/4

Night session: Broach A/M opened Rs. 197, highest Rs. 198 1/4, lowest Rs. 197, closed Rs. 197 1/4.

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, Oct 27

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

Dollars:—

Amr Power and Lt 5 per cent Pfd 45; Electric Bond and Share 9 1/2; Electric Bond dol 5 Pfd 60; Amr Tel and Tel 167; Western Union Tel 33; Sun Life of Canada 310; Union Pacific 102 1/2; Great Northern Pfd 32; New York Central R R 22 1/4; Amrex Corporation 17 1/8; Texas Corporation 47 1/4; St. Oil of N J 48; Socony 13 5/8; Consolidated Oil 8 3/8; Union Carbon and Carbide 89 1/4; Woolworth 42; United States Steel 76 3/8; Bethlehem Steel 91 3/4; Crucible Steel 49; National Steel 76; Alleghany Ludlum Steel 25; Republic Steel 27 1/2; Pittsburgh Screw and Bolt 10; Int Nickel of Canada 40 1/2; Anaconda Copper Mining 33 3/4; General Motors 55 1/8; Chrysler Corp 91 1/2; General Electric 40 7/8; Lockheeds 33; Chase National Bank 37; National City Bank of New York 29 1/4; Reynolds Tobacco 'B' 37.

Turnover 1,060,000 shares.

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Oct. 28.

	Bales
Day's Receipt at all U. S. Ports	25,000
Day's Exports to Great Britain	24,000
Day's Exports to the Continent	11,000
Day's Exports to China and Japan	6,000

LONDON SILVER

London, Oct. 28.

Spot closed

Forward closed

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Oct. 28.

T. T. London on:—	
New York	4.02/4.04
Paris	176/177
Berlin	unquoted
Madrid	39.75 seller unofficial
Montreal	4.43/4.47
Amsterdam	7.52/7.58
Brussels	23.95/24.15
Milan	78.50 unofficial
Berne	17.80/17.95
Copenhagen	21.00 seller unofficial
Stockholm	16.70/16.90
Oslo	17.50/17.70

Two men were killed and three wounded during a fight between two rival parties of Khans of the village of Ismail in Mardan district, says a report received at Peshawar.

The Government of Sind have appointed a Committee of experts to revise the curricula of the Primary and Secondary Schools. It is expected that the revised curricula will be brought in force from April, 1941.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Oct 28

Following a rise of 3 points in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 197/8 for Broach A/M delivery and the market opened as expected and rapidly advanced to Rs. 200/8 on active buying influenced by prospects of renewal of tejimandi operations and hopes of the Viceroy calling Mahatma Gandhi. Later on there was scattered realising and prices were quoted at Rs. 199/12. The undertone was good.

Later, prices again advanced to Rs. 201/4. At this level there was some realising and prices eased off to Rs. 200 where the market steadied. Liverpool market was closed to-day and the local market closed at 5 p.m. as under:

F. G. M. G. Broach A/M Rs.	201	4	0
Fine M. G. Oomra D/J	188	12	0
Fine M. G. Oomra March	188	0	0
F. G. M. G. Bengal D/J	150	8	0
F. G. M. G. Bengal March ...	151	12	0

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, Oct 27

Sakel: November 13.47+24 January 13.85+31

Giza: November 12.45—01 January 12.85+06

Ashmouni: December 11.24+08 February 11.42+10

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, Oct 27

Giza 2: Spot 7.56+3 October 7.17—3 November 7.22—3 January 7.31+1 March 7.40+2 May 7.47+4 July 7.52+4

Uppers: Spot 7.16—1 October 6.89+6 November 6.89+6 January 6.75+5 March 6.76+5 May 6.77+6 July 6.77+7

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, Oct 28

	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P	158	155	152	149
M G Punjab	158	155	152	149

American Cotton Figures

F P Bales	1939-40		1938-39
Receipts to date 27-10-39	2754000		2082000
Receipts yesterday 27-10-39	247000		50000
Exports to date 27-10-39	1599000		1041000
Stock at Ports 20-10-39	2782000		3175000
Stock at Interior Towns 20-10-39	2337000		3272000
Stock at Liverpool 20-10-39	—		1120000
Visible Supply 20-10-39	—		7774000
Quantity in sight 20-10-39	5010000		4430000
Quantity out of sight 20-10-39	—		2291000

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, Oct 28

		Nov.	Dec.
Bengal Fine	145-47	+3½	+ 3
Bengal F G	143-45		
C P 1	196-98	+17	+14
C P 2	194-96	+13	+10
Berar	191-94	+11	+ 5
Khandesh	187-99		
Jalna Sailu	187-90		
Khandwa	191-94		
Broach	204-06		
Sindh N T (New crop)	236-40		

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, Oct 28

Fine White Java sugar per cwt.:

Ready (small grain)	Rs.	17	14 0
Ready (large grain)		18	0 0
Shipment September F B H ...		8	12 0
Shipment October F B H		9	0 0
Shipment November F B H		9	6 0
Shipment December F B H		9	9 0

Tone: Firm.

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, Oct 28

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales

	Yesterday	This year	Last year
Khandesh		2,615	258
Central India		5,511	19,413
Barsi and Nagar		11,207	3,107
Hyderabad Gaoranj			254
Berar		8,209	3,828
Central Provinces		1,460	6,746
Total Oomras		29,002	33,606
Dholera		3,702	17,413
N W Provinces	218	12,445	2
Rajputana		4,792	1,591
Sind Punjab	2,364	45,344	18,180
Broach		53	7,659
Coompta and Dharwar		10,808	5,248
Westerns Northerns	140	8,480	4,286
Tinnevelly and Cambodia			1,082
American			4
Egyptian, African and Sudan	143	57,355	82,287
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		200	
Total	2,865	175,309	171,360
Arrived by road to 26th October 1939		15,000	

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept. to 26th Oct.

In full-pressed bales

	Yesterday	This year	Last year
Europe	718	7,810	26,873
Japan and China	872	146,782	132,242
Coast Ports		5,155	6,876
Up-country by Rail		66,400	48,325
Afloat in harbour for Europe, China and Japan		8,580	34,990
Total	1,590	234,727	249,306

RUNNING YIELDS ON SECURITIES

Taxables	Running Yield
3 3/4 p.c. 1948-52 Loan 86-0	2.698
3 1/2 p.c. G. P. Notes 86-8	3.415
3 p.c. 1951-54 Loan 86-8	2.92/
3 p.c. 1941 Bond 100-0	2.532
3 p.c. 1963-66 Loan 82-10	3 034
3 1/2 p.c. 1947-50 Loan 95-0	3.109
4 p.c. 1943 Bond 101-8	3.327
4 p.c. 1960-70 Loan 97-0	3.480
4 1/2 p.c. 1955-60 Loan 102-12	3.696
5 p.c. 1940-43 Loan 101-14	4.141

Active Buying In Share Bazar

IMPRESSIVE RISE IN STEEL SHARES

Other Sections Moderately Steady

Bombay, Oct 28

Unconfirmed report suggesting that invitations to Gandhiji and other political leaders for interview at Viceroy's House would be issued and the belief that the resignations of Congress Ministries would not be accepted until Delhi talks, created cheerful feeling on the local Stock Exchange, where prices firmed up on active speculative buying and short covering.

It was pointed clearly that the liquidation of weak long interest during the last few days had strengthened the technical situation of the market and now with slightly improved demand, there was scarcity of contracts. The undertone of the market was very good and while there may be temporary recessions of short durations, we firmly believe that the main trend is upward and short sales are likely to prove risky.

The Senate vote for repeal of the embargo resulted in a rally in air craft stocks but the remainder of the list finished only fractionally above the day's low levels; the market closing easy after an indecisive session in which discouraged holders quietly lightened commitments owing to rallies lacking follow through. At the same time further foreign liquidation did not particularly burden any group and moderate recessions failed to dislodge important selling. U. S. Steel shares closed 3/8 down at 76 3/8. Anaconda Copper Mining shares were unchanged at 33 3/4 and General Motors closed 5/8 down at 55 1/8 dollars.

Tata Steel shares which assumed hardening yesterday experienced, flare to-day and Tata Steel Defd shares after opening at Rs. 1707/8 advanced to Rs. 1732/8 and finally closed at Rs. 1727/8. Thus in the last two days prices recorded a net rise of Rs. 60. As compared with the recent narrow fluctuations, the improvement of Rs. 60 will satisfy a buyer to realise the same. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 343 and advanced to Rs. 348 and closed at Rs. 347/8. Cotton Mill shares were fairly steady with improved buying for Bombay Dyeings which closed at Rs. 882/8.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, Oct 28

Bombay Dyeing (872/8) 876 883 882
Century (258/8) 261 262 261
Central India (266/8) 268 269 268/8
Kohinoor (298) 298/8 301 299 300
New Great (270) 270 271 270 271
Simplex (92/8) 93 92/8 92/12
Swadeshi (255) 255 256 255 256
Associated Cement (131/8) 131/8 132/4 131/12 132
Andhra (1390) 1390
Tram Ord (121/12) 122/4 122/12
Tata Hydro (145) 145/8
Tata Power (1235) 1235 1232 1235
T Steel Defd (1695) 1707 1717 1715 1727 1722 1725 1720 1725 1732 1727
T Steel Ord (342/8) 343 345 348 346 347/8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (134) 134/4
Bellapur (205/8) 205 207/8 207/8
B Steam (277) 277 273
B Burma (513/12) 515 513 517 516 513

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, Oct 28

100 AHMED ADVANCE	285	0	
250 BOM DYEING	882	8	
100 CENTURY	261	0	
100 CENTRAL INDIA	268	8	
100 COLABA	139	0	
100 Coorla	100	0	
250 David	40	0	
250 Dawn	300	0	
1 E. D. Sassoon Def.	0	6	3
100 FINLAY	106	0	
100 GOKAK	165	0	
1000 Hindustan	1,795	0	
100 Indore	36	8	
100 Khatau	109	0	
100 KOHINOOR	300	0	
250 Laxmi	460	0	
250 Madras United	25	0	
100 MORARJI	123	8	
250 Model	49	8	
50 MYSORE	90	0	
200 NEW GREAT	271	0	
100 Oosmanshahi	43	12	
100 PHOENIX	260	0	
25 SASSOON SILK	276	4	
1000 Sholapur	3020	0	
50 SIMPLEX	92	12	
100 SWADESHI	256	0	
100 SWAN	101	0	
500 Vishnu	1110	0	
1000 Westerns	855	0	

BANKS

50-100 Baroda	93	12
25-50 Central	30	6
500 Imperial	1380	0
125-500 Imp. Conty.	347	0
50-100 India	103	4
100 Reserve Bank	103	4
5 Union	5	7 6

CEMENTS

100 ASSOCIATED	132	0

INSURANCE

100 Empire	585	0
15-100 Jupiter	9	8
20 Mercantile	49	8
15-75 New India	33	14
200 Oriental	3740	0
10-50 Vulcan	6	12

ELECTRIC

100 Ahmd Old	137	8
1000 ANDHRA VALLEY	1390	0
10 Ajmer	10	8
50 BOMBAY TRAM	122	12
100 Bombay Suburban	165	0
10 Broach	10	12
100 Karachi	191	4
100 Poona	183	8
100 Surat	151	4
100 TATA HYDRO	145	12
1000 TATA POWERS	1235	0

RAILWAYS

500 Ahmedabad Prantij	978	12
100 C Province	95	0
100 Dh. Baramati	53	0
100 Gujarat	93	0
100 Mandra Bhon	92	4
100 Pachora Jamner	73	0
100 Sara Serajganj	94	0
500 Tapti Valley	740	0

MININGS

9 Burma Corp.	6	6
2sh. Indian Copper	2	6
10 Indian Iron and Steel	33	14
10 SHIVRAJPUR	44	0
30 TATA STEEL DEFD	1727	8
75 TATA STEEL ORD	347	8

MISCELLANEOUS

100 ALCOCK	531	4
10 Air Services	6	0
50 BELAPUR SUGAR	207	8
200 Bombay Safe Dep.	591	4
250 BOMBAY STEAM	278	0
125 B. BURMA	513	12
50 B. BURMA CONTY .	168	12
8sh. Br. B. Petrol	5	0 6
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONS	80	8
100 IND. BLEACHING	102	0
100 Western India Match	112	0
50 Ind. Invest Trust	43	0
100 Ind. Radio Def.	377	8
100 I. Radio Ord.	386	4
100 Port Canning	72	12
30 PREMIER CON.	69	12
15 Scindia	21	15
25 Tata Oil Mill	43	4

PREFERENCE

7 p.c. Andhra Valley	1295	0
6 p.c. Bombay Steam	285	0
7 p.c. Bom. Tram (T.F.)	71	4
5 p.c.. Central India (T.F.) ...	531	4
6 1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 1st	105	0
6 1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 2nd	96	0
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	134	6
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Power	1386	4
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st Pref	181	8
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	134	4
7 p.c. Vishnu	675	0

DEBENTURES

3 3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	100	0
5 p.c. Andhra Valley	102	0
4 p.c. Bombay Telephone	48	12
7 p.c. Sholapur	75	0
6 p.c. Tata Hydro	102	4

(Capital letters indicate shares on Forward list).

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Oct 28

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 85/4

3 1/2 per cent G P Notes (Cash) 96/7 nominal.

3 per cent 1951-54 Loan 86/8

3 per cent 1941 Bonds 89/4

3 per cent 1962/65 Loan 82/8

3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 94/4

4 per cent 1943 Bonds 100/4

4 per cent 1960/70 96/8

4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 100/4

5 per cent 1940-43 Loan 101/12

TAXFREE LOANS

4 per cent 1945/55 Loan 107/15

4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore Loan 103/0

5 per cent 1955 Mysore Loan 110

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974 93

4 per cent M Deb 1974 93

5 per cent M Deb 1959 101

5 per cent Deb 1954 114

5 per cent K P T 1956 114

PEPPER AND GINGER MARKET

Bombay, Oct 28

(The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association Ltd.).

Pepper ready Allepey per candy	Rs.	88	8 0
Pepper ready Calicut per candy		87	8 0
Pepper Asho Sud 15th per candy		87	7 0
Pepper Maha Sud 15th per candy		93	0 0
Pepper ready Lampong in C.I.F. per cwt.		14	0 0
Ginger ready unbleached per cwt.		15	8 0
Ginger ready bleached per cwt.		18	0 0
Ginger Maha Sud 15th per cwt.		19	0 0

LONDON SEEDS

London, Oct. 28.

Rozario Santa Fe

U. T. C. Should Be Changed Into Officers' Training Corps

Nagpur Vice-Chancellor Lays Stress On Indianisation Of Army

AMRAOTI, (By Mail).

About ten thousand men and two thousand women must have assembled at the encampment ground on the evening of the 22nd October to witness the parades and demonstrations given by the Civic Defence Force of the H. V. P. Mandal at the Dasera celebration. The function was presided over by Mr. T. J. Kedar, Vice-Chancellor of the Nagpur University.

It had been already assuming such a form gradually. It had been taking classes, holding examinations and awarding certificates in physical education for the last so many years. But recently its certificate of Vyayam Visharad came to be recognised by the Government. How the Mandal maintained an absolutely non-communal and national attitude could, accordingly to Mr. Dravid, be seen from to-day's function in which a Muslim platoon had so enthusiastically participated

Mr. N. A. Dravid, President of the H. V P. Mandal, in the course of his speech made a special reference to the Girls' platoon which he said was a unique feature of this year.

Mr. Kedar, the Vice-Chancellor, spoke about military training and Indianisation of Army officers. He complimented very highly the conductors of the Hanuman Vyayam Mandal for so successfully fighting against odds and ultimately in succeeding in giving a definite lead to the country.

In the course of the presidential address to the Civic Defence Force of the Hanuman Vyayam Prasarak Mandal at the Dassera celebrations Mr. T. J. Kedar, Vice-Chancellor of the Nagpur University put forth a strong plea for the immediate Indianisation of Army Officers.

As a Vice-Chancellor, said Mr. Kedar, he would like to invite one sincere gesture to prove their war aims from the British Government at the present moment and it was that the University Training Corps should be immediately transformed into Officers Training Corps with such modifications as might be felt necessary, and the present training of U. T. C. should in fact be completed in High School or at least an additional course of about 18 months might be added in Officers Training to the U.T.C. course. The speaker said that self-defence was the right of every free citizen and the problem of self-defence involves training in military drills and use of arms.

Ignoring History While Making History

B. C. Chatterji Explains Hindu Sabha Ideals

WARDHAGANJ, (By Mail).

"The Hindu of India had been under a shadow for some time—certainly in the sphere of politics, in any event. For years it has been dinned into his ears by the leaders of the predominant political party in the country that he must unlearn Hinduism, must train himself to regard himself as not a Hindu at all, as an essential preparation for that patriotism which aims at securing India's independence" observed Mr. B.C. Chatterjee in the course of his presidential address at the Vijaya Dashami celebration of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh.

"It is a tragedy", said Mr. Chatterjee, "that in their eagerness to make history, our Congress saviours have ignored history. The Hindu had by far the longest history of all the world's races, and when you invite him to regard himself a non-Hindu or forget the fact of his being a Hindu, you completely cut him off from all historical inspiration, and thereby thoroughly defeat yourself. No nation has ever yet done anything worth recording except in pursuit of an ideal. It is a downright fact that through all the discouragement and disappointments he has experienced ever since the loss of his political independence centuries back, the Hindu has never cut himself adrift from his past, never ceased to glory in it, and hold to it as his one and only anchorage.

"The Mahasabha stands for equal citizenship for all. We challenge our Congress friends to point to a single anti-nationalist item on our programme. Where we differ from the Congress is in the fact that we refuse to repudiate the heritage of our past civilisation, that we are proud of it, that we believe that the Hindu may only attain to fruition when he co-ordinates his activities in tune with the purpose and purport of it. May we remind the Congressites that the best part of Mr. Gandhi is the Hindu part of him?

Concluding Mr. Chatterjee said, "Our Moslem friends do not yet seem to have made their minds as to whether they are to regard themselves as sojourners or citizens in India. Our appeal has always been to them to adopt India as their Mother or Motherland, as they may like to put it, and take their stand by the Hindus as brothers and comrades, as fellow pilgrims on the march to the self-same temple of India's freedom. But while they take time thinking about it, the Hindu cannot afford any longer to be doing nothing, and just wait for their final decision. The Hindu must move on. The presence of Moslems in India cannot in seriousness be said to raise a special problem in view of the Hindu's repeated assurance (which could be easily put into the statute-book) that he demands nothing for himself which he would deny to his Moslem countrymen in India. And, be it remembered, the Hindu has held out the same assurance to the Anglo-Indian and the Indian Christian.

CAUSES THAT LED TO END OF MARATHA POWER

Sixth Volume Of "Poona Affairs" Published

In accordance with the undertaking given by the Government of Bombay in its Press Note issued in 1937 for the publication of the Poona Residency English records, a sixth volume of the series, entitled "Poona Affairs, 1797-1801" (Palmer's Embassy) edited by Rao Bahadur G. S. Sardesai, B.A., has now been published by the Government Central Press.

After reading the papers printed in this volume one can realise how faithfully the decadent character of the Maratha Government is depicted by Col. Palmer, and feel almost every moment that the end could not be far off. When Col. Palmer arrived, Peshwa Bajirao was 22 years of age and Daulatrao Scindia about four years younger, so that these two raw youths with no training or experience in statecraft became the guardians of Maratha destinies, at a time when their British rivals were led by such diplomats and soldiers as the three Wellesley brothers, Palmer, Close, "King Colin" Lord Clive, Lord Lake, Kirpatrick, Malcolm, Munro and Elphinstone. It was no wonder that the Marathas could not long hold their ground against such opponents.

These records give, beyond the possibility of doubt, the reasons which finally led to disruption of the Maratha Power.

Volume VI, which is priced Rs. 7-12-0 or 13s. 6d. net can be obtained from the Government Book Depot, Bombay, and recognised book-sellers. The book contains a portrait of General William Palmer, the British Resident at Poona from 1798 to 1601 and of his family.

Kisan Meeting At Ahmedabad

(From A Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 26.

A mass meeting of the Kisans of the Inamdari villages of Sanand was held at Moraiya (Dt. Ahmedabad).

Mr. Indulal Yagnik, President Gujarat Kisan Sabha exhorted them to strengthen the Kisan Sabha so as to enable them to use their collective force for a struggle against the Inamdars and Talukdars.

The meeting unanimously passed that the system of share cropping should be abolished and rent should be collected on the basis of Government Revenue, which should be based on income-tax. All illegal exactions to be stopped forthwith.

EDUCATE INDIAN WOMEN

Maharashtra Women's Conference Opens

(From A Correspondent)

KIRLOSKARWADI, Oct. 28

The Maharashtra Provincial Women's Conference commenced its first session here at 5-30 this afternoon, amidst scenes of great enthusiasm, Mrs. Gangubai Patwardhan a well-known Poona Educationist, presiding.

After the welcome songs, Rajkumari Akkasaheb Pandit of Aundh made a short speech, welcoming the guests and asking the delegates to devote their energies to make Indian womanhood educated and economically independent.

About 500 women representatives from the whole of Maharashtra attended this Conference including the Rani Saheb of Aundh

Messages wishing success to the Conference were received from the Rani Saheb of Sangli, the Bombay Premier Mr. Kher, Begam Hamidalli, Rani Rajawade and Ansuya Kale.

INDIANS IN AMERICA CELEBRATE GANDHI JAYANTI

The Secretary of the Bharat welfare Society writes from Marysville, California:—

Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday was celebrated by the Bharat Welfare Society of California as in previous years at the home of Pandit Saree Ram at Orangevale, California. A real Indian dinner was served and thereafter a meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Mr. Ram Partap.

A short speech was made by Mr. Godha Ram Channon on the life of Mahatmaji.

Dr. Haridas Muzumdar of New York delivered a lecture in which he discussed in length, the life work of Mahatmaji and his doctrine of non-violence and its application to the present day struggle. The same was translated into Hindustani by Dr. K. R. Samras.

Birthday felicitations cable was sent to Mahatmaji.

LABOUR SHORTAGE IN COLOMBO HARBOUR?

NEW DELHI, October 26

Apprehensions are understood to have been expressed in Ceylon that after the ban placed by the Government of India on Labour emigration had been in operation for some time, the Colombo Harbour might experience a shortage of unskilled Labour.

Steps are accordingly being taken to attract Ceylonese labourers to this form of urban employment in greater numbers than are engaged in it.—United Press.

Poppy Day Arrangements For November 11th 1939.

As in previous years the usual Poppy Day Appeal will be issued in the press of India and Burma, and Poppies will be sold on November 11th. The clergy of all denominations have also most generously consented to donate Church Collections on Sunday the 12th November to Ex-Service Funds.

Owing to the increasing age of Ex-Servicemen, the number of applicants and cases of chronic illness are steadily increasing, and these cannot be dealt with adequately by temporary assistance. Six millions fought in the Regular Army, Navy and Air Force in the Great War of 1914-18, and many of these men and their dependants are now in distress.

During 1938, 75 men, women and children were repatriated to the United Kingdom at a cost of Rs. 17880/4/4, 329 children educated at a cost of Rs.. 45,814/3/6, and grants to the extent of Rs. 91,646 /15/4 given to Ex-Servicemen and their dependants in India; whilst the total spent on various forms of relief amounted to Rs. 1,56,338/-.

There are 18 Branches of the Association in India with some 40 Local Correspondents working under them and a Headquarters at New Delhi, where contributions will be most gratefully received.

Tripuri Congress R. C. Budget

The following are a few extracts from the Tripuri Congress Reception Committee's Budget.

The total income was Rs. 2,43,033-7-9 out of which Rs. 82,768 came as donations and Rs. 71,821-11-0 as gate money. The Members' fees amounted to Rs. 26,599.

The Expenditure was Rs. 2,43,033-7-9 and so the budget, was balanced. Rs. 59,617 were spent on construction works.

The sum of Rs. 40,039 was utilised for the Volunteers Sub-Committee. The other important item of Rs. 31,131 was spent on water works.

WRITTEN DOWN VALUE SYSTEM DEPRECATED

Necessity For Graduated Scales

The Secretary of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, writes:—

It is very surprising that the Central Board should have come forward with proposals, which, on their very face are unfair and which go against the spirit of the compromise on the basis of which the introduction of the written-down value system was agreed to by the members of the Select Committee on the Income-tax Bill.

The basis on which the rates under the new system should be fixed is that the rates proposed should be so adjusted as to cover the asset in question to the extent of 92 per cent. of its value in the same number of years as under the existing schedule. This can be achieved by either increasing the rates "pro rata" or by introducing a system of graduated scale of rates, increasing year after year, in such a manner as to cover the assets in the same fixed number of years.

FIRST OBEY AND THEN COMPLAIN

JAIPUR, Oct. 28.

With a view to place their grievances regarding the recent Government orders in respect of the construction of the gate of the mosque at Jaori Bazar, a party of 500 Muslims marched in procession to the residence of the Prime Minister. A deputation of six of their leaders was received by the Prime Minister who told them that no grievances could be considered by the Government so long as they were bent on defying orders. He ordered them to carry out the orders of His Highness the Maharaja first and make their complaint, if any, later.—United Press.

GRASS FOR PEASANTS

BARODA, Oct. 28.

To supply grass to Khedut (peasant) khatedars of Okhamandal which has been severely affected by scarcity of rain Government have ordered that the grass of Gir and Parota forests should not be sold by auction, to keep in readiness, 21,000 bales of grass, and have sanctioned a sum of Rs. 53,000 for cutting grass from Gir and Parota bids for packing it in bales and supplying the bales to those who require them.

For the present 21,000 bales of this grass will be cut and sent at Government expense to Okha and sold at concession rates of 6 to 8 annas per maund.—United Press.

ENCOURAGING SMALL INDUSTRIES

BARODA, Oct. 28.

To stimulate small industries Government have granted concession in terminal tax and water rate to the Laxmi Dye Works at Baroda for a period of five years from June, 1939. The works is given 3/4ths exemption from terminal tax on raw materials imported for the use of the factory and is to be charged ½ water rate on water consumed in the factory during the period.—United Press.

Charity In Ramzan

(From A Correspondent)

The Muslims set aside lakhs of rupees every year in the month of Ramzan for charitable purposes but regret to state that this amount is not neither utilised nor distributed properly amongst needy persons but, on the contrary, the rightful people are forsaken. The Mussalmans of India are requested only to make their charities adequately amongst the suitable desired individual so that each and every village and country may turn into industrial centre and no beggars may be found depending on charities.

My request I hope, will not fall on the deaf ears of the rich people as has often happened previously. If we undertake to distribute equally and properly charities in this most sacred Ramzan month according to the precepts amongst most suitable needy people not a single fakir may be traced out from villages and cities all over India

Chinese Artist For Shantiniketan

SHANTINIKETAN, Oct. 26

Prof. Tan Yuan-Shan, the Director of the Cheena Bhavan of Visva Bharati informs that Visva Bharati will soon have as a visiting Professor for almost the whole of a term, one of China's foremost artists Prof. Ju Peon, who is acknowledged by many as the greatest artist and art-critic of modern China. Prof. Peon has already left China, and is expected to arrive here in a couple of weeks.—United Press.

JAVA SUGAR RULES FIRM

Bombay, Oct. 25.

JAVA SUGAR

Since our last review, local market for Java sugar continued to remain very firm with a further advance of 2 annas in ready and 4 to 6 annas in forward shipments. This further rise in ready and September arrivals was mainly due to continued good demand for transhipment to Suez, Port Said and Persian Gulf from Bombay. As regards October/December shipments, the rise is mainly due to demand from Colombo and repurchases by Java Exporters as the local prices are far below the prices ruling in Java. It is estimated that total quantity so far sold for transhipment in Bombay ex Bond and from September arrivals has been about 20,000 to 25,000 tons of which about 15,000 tons are already shipped to various Ports and the balance will be shipped as soon as the steamers are available. There are still enquiries for transhipment and there is every possibility of further business as direct shipments from Java are not possible on account of freight and other difficulties and also because of very high prices ruling in Java. Locally most of the business was confined to sales by dealers from Ex. Bond and September arrivals on the basis of Rs. 8-6-0 to Rs. 8-8-0 Ex. Bond and Rs. 8-4-0 to Rs. 8-6-0 per cwt, F.B.H. Bombay. At the close, tone was firm.

INDIAN SUGAR.

Ready stocks are negligible and quotations are nominal. Owing to rise in price of Java sugar, there were enquiries for sales of Indian sugar both for old and new crop It is understood that some business is done in Bombay on the basis of Rs. 10-12-0 to Rs. 11-4-0 per md. F.O.R. Factories and there are enquiries for further sales on the above basis. Sugar Syndicate has not so far fixed their selling limits for New crop and present sales by the second hand merchants are believed to be of speculative nature. The future course of the market must depend on fixation of cane prices by the U.P. and Bihar Governments which is expected shortly.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

New York Terminal market shows a decline of 7, 10 and 10 points in Jan. March and May deliveries respectively. Java market was reported firm. Most of the business was confined to second hand sellers as the Nivas limits were understood to be very high. There were some enquiries for cancellations from India and limited business was done by Exporters at current rates.

CALCUTTA AND KARACHI.

There was little change in prices of Indian sugar. As regards Java sugar, Karachi market which was during the earlier part of the week quoting much below the prices ruling elsewhere, was firmer again with an advance of 8 annas per cwt, due to demand from Bombay and elsewhere. Calcutta market was also active and price of Java sugar was almost on level of price of Java sugar in Bombay.

Local market for ready Java sugar is likely to remain steady with possibility of further small advance in present prices if demand from out ports continue. As regards forward positions, it appears that there is no chance of any decline at present but on the contrary prices may advance further as the prices ruling in Java are very high and Nivas limits are not likely to be reduced at least for some time to come. Tendency is upward.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, Oct. 28.

The past week has been notable for return of the Bank rate to the prewar level, two per cent. This event naturally added interest to yesterday's treasury tender when 55 millions sterling of bills allotted at an average rate of one pound three shillings and eight point eight three pence compared with one pound fourteen shillings and three point three nine pence in the previous week.

Outside competition however, resulted the Market Syndicate only securing an allotment of 31 compared 59 per cent.

Wall Street closed easy.—Reuter.

INDIAN TEA EXPORT

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26.

The Central Government after consulting the Indian Tea Licensing Committee have declared that the revised Indian Export allotment of tea for the financial year 1939-40 shall be 362,080,770 pounds avoirdupois being ninety-five per cent. of India's standard export figure. —United Press.

Industrial Disputes In Province

In September 1939 the working class cost of living index number for Bombay City with the average prices for the year ended June 1934 equal to 100 was 106, being one point higher than in the preceding month. The index number for food articles advanced by two points to 114.

In August 1939 the wholesale prices index number with July 1914 prices equal to 100 was 103, being three points higher than in the preceding month. The index number for food articles rose from 103 in the preceding month to 110.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES.

During August 1939 there were 10 industrial disputes, seven in Bombay and one each at Ahmedabad, Jogeshwari (Bombay Suburban District) and Ankleshwar in the Broach District. The number of work people involved in these disputes was 1,458 and the number of working days lost was 13,427.

Shares Of Bombay Steam

SHAREHOLDERS DEMAND EXPLANATION FOR REFUSAL TO TRANSFER TO SCINDIA

SURAT 24th October.

Mr. Gordhandas N. Ghael, a prominent Citizen of Surat and a Shareholder of the Bombay Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., has addressed the following letter to Messrs. Killick, Nixon & Co., Managing Agents of the Bombay Steam Navigation Co. Ltd:—

Dear Sirs,

I have to refer to several letters addressed before now by myself and hundreds of your shareholders from Surat and elsewhere, and regret to observe that the only reply that I have received so far has been mere acknowledgments, the last acknowledgment that you sent being your letter dated 1st August, 1939. In view of this attitude taken up by you I cannot help remarking that we, your shareholders feel, that you have deliberately flouted the opinion of a large body of your shareholders on questions which are vitally affecting the interests of the company and of your shareholders.

Your action in not transferring shares when they were sold by us to the Scindia Company has left an impression in our minds that your company is bent upon taking a very narrow view of this matter especially as we had made it clear that we believed that by taking that action we were furthering the interests not only of the Bombay Steam but also of National Shipping. Instead of direct replies, all of us were supplied by post with an article that appeared in THE INDIAN FINANCE in which most objectionable insinuations and attacks were made not only on the management of the Scindia Company but on such responsible bodies as the Congress Working Committee and on no less person than Mahatma Gandhi himself. As the circularisation of this letter in Gujarati translation was systematically done, the conclusion was obvious that, that was done by your goodselves and was intended as a reply to the arguments contained in the letters that hundreds of your shareholders addressed to you on the subject. The tone of that article had pained us considerably and I cannot help recalling at this stage that when we requested explanation in this behalf from your goodselves the same was not forthcoming. Silence could not have been more committing than in this case. We are still awaiting a reply from you informing us that you completely dissociate yourselves with the language and the purport of that article in THE INDIAN FINANCE. I hope that you will take the earliest opportunity of informing us that you do so.

I do not desire to enter at length on the various points that we have already placed before you to justify our belief that our action in selling the shares to the Scindia Company and your transferring the shares to them would have been entirely in the interests of the company in particular and of National Shipping in general. I, however, send this in the hope that you will kindly see your way to send an early reply to various communications addressed to you ere now, as also to my letter dated 5th July 1939 regarding the article that appeared in the INDIAN FINANCE.

Your early reply would be very much appreciated in view of the fact that many of us would like to understand your attitude in this connection clearly in view of this question having been left unexplained now for a very long time.

(Sd.) GORDHANDAS N. GHAEL

ALL-ROUND DECLINE IN YARN PRICES

Bombay, Oct. 25.

A feeling of uncertainty has prevailed in almost all markets throughout India during the week under review on account of internal political developments arising out of the statements by the Viceroy and the Secretary of State for India and the decision of the Working Committee of the Congress asking the Congress Ministries to tender resignations in the next few days. It is but natural that in the midst of such uncertainties all markets have been very unfavourably affected and prices have tended to decline during the whole past week. In case of yarns prices have declined all-round in almost all kinds and qualities and at the close confidence has not yet revived among dealers and consumers. As usual in the absence of any improvement in demand from almost all important consuming centres all over the country, prices have a tendency to decline further particularly because some of the weak-holders have been pressing sales to clear their holdings at the markets for fear of further decline in course of time. Cotton market has continued to remain weak with an easier undertone and during the whole week, prices have declined to the extent of about Rs. 7 per candy. Furthermore Divali and the Hindu New Year are approaching in the next few days and naturally therefore dealers are not inclined to commit themselves to any large extent by purchasing any yarns beyond their immediate requirements. The local mills on the other hand had not been able to make any sales of importance so far either for ready or for forward deliveries probably because of higher prices quoted by them during all these days. The speculative buying which was in evidence during the last few days after the declaration of War has now been completely absent particularly because some of the speculators have burn their fingers. As regards export markets enquiries and orders are almost at a standstill and no fresh business has been reported during the whole past week. The future tendency is uncertain.

ENGLISH YARNS

There is nothing special to report in this class of yarns where business is entirely at a standstill.

JAPANESE AND SHANGHAI YARNS

Turnover during the week both in Japanese and Shanghai yarns in ready as well as in forward deliveries is very much restricted owing to continued uncertainty prevailing in the internal political situation of the country. Prices have declined to the extent of about 1/4 to 1/2 anna per lb. in sympathy with continued decline in other markets. In case of Mercerised yarns, speculative turnover has considerably fallen off and prices have tended to decline during the whole past week in sympathy with decline in cotton and continued absence of buying orders from consuming districts. Japanese and Shanghai Spinners have been still quoting much higher prices and on account of the wide disparity no fresh forward business of importance has been possible during the week. Arrivals by incoming steamers are not very large and stock of all kinds of Shanghai and Japanese yarns are getting reduced slowly and slowly. At the close market has been rather steady with an uncertain tendency. Japanese Exchange has remained unchanged.

ARTIFICIAL SILK YARNS

There has been no change in official prices of Italian Syndicate during the week. Stocks of cheap grade yarns both of Italian and Japanese qualities have been getting scarce especially in dull lustred yarns where enquiries have improved for such cheap grade yarns from the Punjab and Northern markets. The future outlook continues to remain hopeful.

INDIAN YARNS.

Owing to uncertainty regarding the political situation in the country, turnover on the Bombay Yarn Exchange Ltd., has considerably fallen off during the week. Prices have declined further both in 10 1/2s and 20 1/2s to the extent of Rs. 2 per bale with a somewhat easier undertone at the close. The future tendency is distinctly weak.

500 MILLION SAND BAGS FOR BRITAIN

India Govt. Acts As 'Via Media'

CALCUTTA, October 28

An order for 500 million sand bags, the largest since the outbreak of the war, has been placed with Indian Jute Mills Association Calcutta, by the British Government through the Government of India.

The new order, as well as the existing contracts, are to be completed by the end of April at the rate of 109 million bags per month the price being the same as in the case of the previous order.—A. P.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS

Bombay, Oct. 28.

Lionel Edward's Dutch s.s. Spring fontein of 4043 reg tons Capt L Vanderp las arrived from Rotterdam with passengers and general cargo

Lionel Edward's Dutch s.s. Steefkerk of 3823 reg tons Capt J Deman arrived from Rotterdam with passengers and general cargo

O S Kaisha's Japanese s.s. Alaska Maru of 4553 reg tons Capt S Mimura arrived from Yokohama with general cargo

LOADING

The following vessel booked for loading on 28-10-39

Italian s.s. Volpi

EXPORTS

14 cases bristles B Lawrie and Co; 235 bales cotton waste M Chandulal and Co; 50 bales cotton twist waste M Chandulal and Co; 50 bales cotton twist waste C Jairam and Co; 150 bales cotton waste C Jairam and Co; 114 bales cotton raw A Clayton and Co; 57 bags gum D Mavji and Co; 7 bales cow tail hair D Abraham and Sons; 75 bales cotton twist waste V A Save and Co; 150 bales cotton fly V A Save and Co; 142 bales cotton fly Champaklal and Co; 54 bales art silk waste Sapt Textile Products Ltd; 155 bales cotton fly Sapt Textile Products Ld; 50 bales akund cotton Sapt Textile Products Ltd; 399 bags toic powder Shaw Wallace and Co; 100 bales cotton twist waste Jassani Carpet Co; 105 tons iron scrap M G A Husain and Co; 67 cases bristles D Abraham and Sons; 1425 bags castorseed East Asiatic Co. Ltd

IMPORTS

Bombay, Oct. 28.

2440 bkts wet and dry dates; 271 bags dry fruits; 2300 bags gum; 137 bags sardines; 14 bags betel nuts; 9777 bags sugar; 50 bags iron nuts; 84 bags bolts and nuts; 608 bdls pipes; 400 cases tinned sheets; 70 slabs tin block; 221 bdls m. s. rounds; 859 bdls m. s. rivets and nuts; 785 bales cotton raw; 239 bales wool raw; 33 boras cotton yarn waste; 36 boras cotton thread; 53 cases art silk yarn 22 cases cotton piecegoods; 12 cases stationery; 25 cases papar khar; 1700 bags potatoes

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BOMBAY and SUBURBS

Local Engagements

To-day

Hindu: Ashwin Vad 2, 1995
Muslim: Ramzan 16, 1358
Parsi: Ardibehesht 25, 1309
Hightide: 0-59; 12-47
Lowtide: 6-58; 18-52
Sunrise: 6h. 38m.
Sunset: 6h. 7m.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

RAVUT REWABAI, widow of Yeshwantrao Sakharam, mother of Nanu Raut, sister-in-law of Dr. Rukhmabai and of Vasantrao S. Ravut, died on Saturday October 28 of heart failure. Deeply mourned by her son and other relatives.

KHADI MANDIR

The Secretary, Khadi Mandir Vile Parle writes:—

The total sale of Khaddar during the Gandhi Jayanti amounted to Rs. 3500. The Mandir Secretary thanks, the Vile Parle Congress Committee and those Congress Committees which have offered their willing co-operation, and also Shri Mulji Mistri for having lent the use of the premises of his building.

LITERACY CLASSES

Mr. K. T. Mantri, Secretary, Adult Education Committee, writes:

In the appeal published in some newspapers either on 23rd or 24th October, 1939, relating to Literacy classes, the word "Kannada" as one of the languages for which literacy classes will be opened or aided was omitted through inadvertance. Literacy classes for "Kannada" will be opened or aided by the Adult Education Committee, Bombay, on the same basis as for other languages.

A. R. P. INSTRUCTORS' TRAINING.

With the object of taking the necessary steps for being ready prepared to render first aid to those who might be injured in a possible enemy air raid on Bombay, an A.R.P. Committee has been formed in Bombay (North). As a first step, the Committee have decided to start a Class for the training of A.R.P. Instructors, who in their turn will train up Volunteers which desire to have some of their members trained in A.R.P. methods are therefore requested to communicate with the Secretary, A.R.P. Committee, Bombay (North) Ramnarain Ruia College, Bombay—19.

YASHODABAI MONJI AMIDAS VORA FREE DISPENSARY AT VILE PARLE.

During the six months ending 30th September 1939 the average daily attendance of patients at the above Dispensary was 70, the total number of patients treated during the period being 12,600. About 94 minor operations were performed during the said period. The rents realised from the donated property amounted to Rs. 668. From 1st June 1939 a nominal fee of one anna per day per patient is charged. In case of poor patients and such other persons whose income is less than Rs. 50 p.m. the medicines are supplied free of charge. The income realised on account of daily fees is Rs. 142. The total income from rents and fees amounted to Rs. 810. The Municipality had to spend Rs. 1,071 for running the Dispensary and Rs. 708 for water, electric charges, etc. The net burden on the Municipal Funds thus working out Rs. 969.

RKO RADIO Picture Directed by JOHN FARROW Produced by ROBERT SISK. Screen Play by Jerry Cady, Dalton Trumbo, Nathanael West.

NEW EMPIRE
4, 6-30 & 10 P. M.

Amusements Of The Day

CAPITOL—"Mutiny of the Elsinore" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Second Fiddle" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"On Borrowed Time" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Royal Hawaiian Entertainers". Daily 6-30 and 10. p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Five Came Back" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
DIAMOND—"Flying G-Men" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Bhole Bhale" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Kangan" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Pati-Patni" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"The Great Moghul" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Swastik" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Sant Tulsidas" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Admi" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Durga" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"The Only Way" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
BANDRA TALKIES—"Stand Up and Fight" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"The Dawn Patrol" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Idiot's Delight" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

This poster was conspicuous at the School of Arts, Indore, in connection with the World's Animal Day enthusiastically celebrated by all the educational institutions of the Holkar State.

Indian Polish Relief Committee Thanked

BOMBAY, Oct. 28.

The Consul-General for Poland in Bombay has received a cable from the Polish Ambassador in London thanking the Polish Relief Committee (India) for their initial donation of £200/-.

He has also received a cable from Prof. Borenius, Secretary General of the Polish Relief Committee in Great Britain, informing him that the Polish Ambassador in London is the Honorary President of the British Committee, adding that Lord Moyne invites the Polish Relief Committee (India) to co-operate.—A. P.

Weather Report

BOMBAY, Oct. 29.

Rainfall had been nearly general in North Madras Coast, South-East Madras and local in Madras Deccan.

Scattered thundershowers also occurred in Orissa, East Central Provinces, south Hyderabad, Malabar and Mysore. Day temperatures were markedly below normal in Kashmir.

Chief amounts of rainfall were: Nellore, five inches; Sandheads, Negapatam, Vizagapatam two, Cochin, Masulipatam one and half, Cocanada, Calingpatam, one, Gopalpur three-quarters; Cuddalore, Madras half; Chandbali, Jagdalpur quarter.—A. P.

CONGRESS ENROLMENT

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee have issued the following notification:

As required under Art. IX (a) of the Constitution of the Indian National Congress, the Registers of Members enrolled during the year upto the closing date, i.e. 30th September last, in the various Wards/Districts in the City, are now ready, and they will be kept open for inspection by any member of the Congress in the respective Ward Committees' Offices from Wednesday, the 1st of November to Wednesday, the 8th of November, both days inclusive.

Any person whose name is omitted from the Register of Members, or who objects to the entry of any name therein, should submit his/her objection or claim, as the case may be, to the Provincial Election Tribunal at Congress House, Bombay 4, on or before 7 p.m. (S.T.) on Wednesday, the 15th of November.

A member who objects to any entry should state the reasons for challenging the entry, with evidence and other necessary particulars of enrolment of the member objected to, including the Register Number.

Claims for inclusion of names in the Registers should be made in the prescribed forms, available at all the Ward Offices and also at the office of the B.P.C.C., and they should be supported by Membership Receipts.

Pentangular Cricket Matches.
NORTH STAND
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NORTH STAND SEASON TICKETS INCLUDING TAX AND RESERVATION Rs. 10.
P. N.:—TICKETS CAN BE HAD IN NORTH STAND FROM SATURDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

First Victory For Congress

Shamdasani Withdraws From Contest: Prof. Gharpure Must Be Returned

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee have issued the following statement:—

The news has just reached us that Shri P. D. Shamdasani, one of the candidates for both the Municipal by-elections, has withdrawn from the contest, thus leaving the field in the Fanaswadi-Dhobitalao Ward to the Congress nominee, Shri Vithaldas Damodar Govindji. We congratulate Shri Vithaldas and the voters of this Constituency for the uncontested return of the Congress nominee to the Municipal Corporation. We are also thankful to Shri Shamdasani for his sporting withdrawal from the contest so that the Congress candidate may be returned uncontested.

WHO OPPOSES CONGRESS.

The Congress has now to fight only one election and that is in Khetwadi-Tardeo Constituency where Prof. D. R. Gharpure is the Congress candidate. Opposed to him is Mr. Balubhai T. Desai. He was at one time a Congress nominee in the old Bombay Legislative Council and he had applied for the Congress ticket at the last Municipal General Elections. We have every confidence that the voters of this constituency who have never failed in the loyalty to the Congress will go to the polling booth in their thousands and return the Congress nominee at the top of the polls.

Prof. D. R. Gharpure.

VOTERS' RESPONSIBILITY.

The responsibility of Congress-minded voters is greater in the present election in view of the political situation that is developing day by day. Elections are always regarded as an indication of the influence and popularity of the parties taking part in it and it is needless for us to say that at the present juncture Congress expects unstinted discipline and loyalty from every one who wishes well of the Congress.

Propaganda is going on in this election on behalf of several communal parties which are supporting the other candidate. We have nothing to say about this propaganda. Nationally-minded voters know their duty too well to be carried away by any such propaganda.

J. J. HOSPITAL.

The following donations to the Hospital Fund of the J. J. Hospital are announced:—

Rs. 100 from Mr. D. Edulji; Rs. 30 from The Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum Court; Rs. 25 from Mr. Vasant G. Moolgavkar; Rs. 10-8-0 from K. B. Haji Hasanally; Rs. 3-0-0 from Mr. K. T. Vartak.

Deeds, Not Words: Time For Action At Hand

Call For Unity And Discipline: Nation On Threshold Of Final Struggle

BOMBAY, Sunday.

"A GREATER fight than has ever been put up by India under the guidance of one of the world's greatest apostles of non-violence, is looming on the country's horizon at this moment.

The day when speeches have to give place to action is about to dawn. There is need for unity and discipline. Let every soldier keep himself in readiness to respond to the country's call".

This was the gist of stirring appeals made by the Congress spokesmen of Bombay to-day while unfurling the National Flag at the Congress House Vithalbhai Patel Road, at Bhuleshwar and Wadala.

AT CONGRESS HOUSE

In the course of a brief speech, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai who unfurled the tricolour at the Congress House said that the worst kind of human slaughter ever known in history had begun two months back. It was necessary that the people of India should have been consulted before they were made a party to this war.

The demand put forward by the Congress Working Committee, said Mr. Desai, was just and reasonable. But Britain's reply had exhibited the same old Imperialist tone. Under the circumstances the Wardha. Decision, calls upon the Congress Ministries to tender their resignations was a natural corollary.

Continuing, Mr. Desai said that a time had arrived when mere speeches were not enough. Every Congress soldier was expected to keep himself in readiness so that he might not be found wanting when the country's call came. The need of the hour was unity and discipline.

The only weapon in which the Congress had absolute faith was non-violence. The country would, under no circumstance, part with this tried weapon in the struggle that was to come.

AT BHULESHWAR

Unfurling the flag at Bhuleshwar Mr. S. K. Patil said that there was every indication to-day that the country was very near to its cherished goal and the struggle for which the nation was preparing was to be the last one. It was a matter of good fortune for India that at this crucial moment, Mahatma Gandhi had come forward to give a lead to the country.

"It is necessary," said Mr. Patil, "that we must understand the two great principles of truth and non-violence before we take our stand behind the country's leader."

AT WADALA

Mr. Jinabhai Joshi who unfurled the National Flag at Wadala said that India was about to enter another phase of national awakening. It was time that every citizen bestirred himself and awaited the country's call.

Mr. B. T. Ranadive made a fervent appeal to the labouring classes to contribute their mite when the call came. The services of the humblest of the citizens, he said, would be needed to render the nation's non-violent battle a success. It was time that all differences were merged and the nation stood as one man.

FIRE IN SURAT BAZAR

(From Our Correspondent).

SURAT, Oct. 29.

A serious fire accident occurr last mid-night in Nana Baz locality of Rander town. Seve shops were involved. Damage not known.

Hyderabad (Dn.) Labour Conferen

HYDERABAD, (By Mail).

The first session of the Hyderabad State Labour Conference is to be held in Aurangabad on 4th and 5th November, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, presiding.

A Reception Committee has been formed with Mr. S. V. Naik, Barrister, as the Chairman.

Viceroy Gold Medalist Of 'Dufferin' This Year

Cadet Captain Solomon was selected by the 140 Cadets of the I. M. M. T. S. "Dufferin" on Sunday morning to be the fittest cadet to hold the gold medal founded by the Viceroy for "cheerful submission to Superiors, self-respect, independence of character, kindness and protection to the weak, readiness to forgive offences desire to conciliate the differences of others, fearless devotion to duty and unflinching truthfulness."

Cadet Captain Datta came second in the choice of the cadets for these virtues.

Hindu Foundling Home

The Management of the Hindu Foundling Home Matunga acknowledge the following donations received for the maintenance of the orphans in the Institution:—

Rs. 251-0-0 Phoenix and Bradbury Mills' Shop; Rs. 200-0-0 Mrs. Kamalabai Vinze; Rs. 200-0-0 Mr. L. G. Vinze; Rs. 101-0-0 Shriniwas Mill's Shop; Rs. 101-0-0 Mr. Chunilal Sakhalchand; Rs. 101-0-0 Mr. Ochavlal Gopaldas; Rs. 101-0-0 Mr. Mulchand Bulakhidas; Rs. 100-0-0 Shwetamber Sthanakvasi Jain Sakalsangh; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Narottamdas Chimanlal; Rs. 51-0-0 M/S Ganesh Gangaram Company; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Wadilal Kashidas; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Bhagwandas Punjabhai; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Ramanlal Jesingbhai; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Maniar Chunilal Amritlal; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Karsandas Fulchand; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Vallabhadas Mathuradas; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Bagubhai Ratilal; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Wadilal Chaturbhuj; Rs. 51-0-0 Staff of Khatav Makanji Shop; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Hiralal Mathuradas; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Mohanlal Maganlal; Rs. 51-0-0 New China Mills' Shop; Rs. 51-0-0 Standard Mills' Shop; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. G. N. Onkarmal; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Chapsi Kalyanji; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Mansukhlal Manilal; Rs. 51-0-0 "A gentleman;" Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Ramdas Madhavji; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Sawailal Maneklal; Rs. 51-0-0 Shapurji Mill Shop; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Thakkar V. Morarji; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Keshavlal Mangaldas; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Sha Dhunji Mulji; Rs. 51-0-0 M/S Jamnadas and Sorabji; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Chaturbhuj Govardhandas; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Chaturbhujdas Karnani; Rs. 1,000-0-0 In memory of late Mr. Ishwarlal Manmohandas Desai, through Mr. R. M. Desai; Rs. 101-0-0 Mr. Veramal Parshram; Rs. 101-0-0 "A Friend" through Mr. L. G. Vinze; Rs. 51-0-0 Mrs. Sarojben B. Yodh; Rs. 51-0-0 Mrs. Jollyben H. Divetia; Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Newanram Bajaj; Rs. 51-0-0 Seksaria Cotton Mills Cloth Shop; **Rs. 51-0-0 Mr. Daulatram Mohandas.**

Dr. Pratapkumar Popatbhai Vaidya, L.M.C. (Dublin), G.P.A.C. (Bom.), Honorary Secretary of the Prabhuram Ayurvedic College and allied institutions, who returned to India, by air when war was declared. He left Bombay in 1938 to join the Manchester University for Medicine and after a few months joined the National Maternity Hospital, Dublin where he obtained the L. M. Degree. He arrived in Bombay on Friday morning from Karachi.

PRABHURAM AYURVEDIC COLLEGE, DR. POPAT UNIVERSITY OF AYURVEDA

The XVIII Session of the Examinations leading to the Degrees of Bhishagwar, G.P.A.C. (open to all) and Sevika Paricharika (for ladies only) will commence from Thursday, 28th December, 1939, in College Hall, Vaidya Bhuvan, Bhuleshwar Bombay 2. Candidates desirous of appearing in the same should send in their applications with the necessary fees and certificates of study on or before the 13th December, 1939.

The Institutions also confer the certificate of Bhishak (L.P.A.C.) and/or Diploma of Acharya (M.P.A.C.) on persons conducting their medical practice on Ayurvedic Systems on their undergoing the necessary test for the same.

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

Sir Samuel Hoare's speech in the Commons on India has been interpreted by several Congress leaders with more charity than we believe it deserves. There is, however, one thing which admits of no two different interpretations. It is his categorical declaration that so long as there is no settlement among the various conflicting interests in India, including the Princes and Europeans, "it is impossible for the Government to accept the demand for immediate and full responsibility at the Centre on a particular date." Fortunately, no one interprets this specific statement in any other way than the natural one, which gives no hope of the British conceding full freedom to India of their own accord now or in the near future. That being the position with regard to the main demand, it will be little altered by Sir Samuel's indefinite suggestions about further consultations with the Viceroy regarding the Consultative Committee and other possible make-believe reforms by way of response to the second demand of the Congress for immediate tangible proofs of the full freedom expected immediately after the war. If the Viceroy asks for further interviews with Congress leaders, no good purpose will be served by refusing them. But it is inexpedient to encourage groundless hopes of a settlement unless the British Government give a clear proof of a change of heart. The door need never be banged by the Congress against any chance of settlement but it is time the Congress prepared for the worst.

Need For Non-Violence

Indeed, things are steadily moving towards the worst. Congress ministerial resignations have actually begun. The slight delay in their acceptance will be due only to talk with non-Congress parties with regard to future administration. Everybody is thinking most as to what precisely Congress will do after its Cabinets' resignations are accepted. Gandhiji's article in "Harijan" on the crisis and the Congress President's instructions to Congressmen clearly indicate that they are preparing for the worst. Naturally, they give the foremost place to perfect non-violence in thought, speech and action in the preparation for every kind of campaign. Gandhiji says definitely: "There is no possibility of civil resistance on a large scale unless Congressmen show discipline and greater appreciation than hitherto of non-violence and truth. There need be none unless we are goaded into it by the authorities." Communal goodwill has always been an integral part of Gandhiji's conception of non-violence. "Congressmen," he says, "must be held partly responsible for the failure to compose communal differences." Conscientious Congressmen will readily, though sadly, accept this partial responsibility, more for their acts of omission than commission. But Gandhiji should not be content with holding the Congress partially responsible for his failure in this behalf or with stating generally that only perfect non-violence will ensure communal unity. He should explain in full detail, even if it means repetition of what he has said in the past, the technique of non-violence in respect of communal unity.

Urgent Task

In his instructions to Congressmen Dr. Rajendra Prasad, too, lays the greatest emphasis on perfect non-violence, with special reference to Hindu-Muslim unity. "Our non-violence to-day", he says, "is put to the greatest test in respect of Hindu-Muslim unity. Congressmen have to show their non-violence, in particular at the time of Hindu-Muslim riots by losing their lives, if need be, to prevent them. They may not take sides." Offering one's life to prevent communal riots is most certainly a glorious sacrifice. But not many are capable of it. Moreover, the loss of life may be grossly misunderstood and may lead to greater retaliatory measures. Hindu-Muslim riots or the chronic tension which occasionally flares up into riots can be more effectively prevented if a political settlement is arrived at between the two communities. For obvious reasons a settlement is more urgent now than it was ever before. Nothing will be lost but much may be gained if Congress initiates formal negotiations for a settlement. In so far as ministerships were a bone of contention between the Congress and the League, the resignations of Congress Ministers may possibly be a help rather than a hindrance in the negotiations. We repeat our appeal to Gandhiji and other Congress leaders to take the initiative once more in bringing together accredited representatives of important minorities with a view to a lasting agreement. Communal unity is the first essential of complete success in any mass campaign. And first things must come first.

Decisive Days Ahead

German concentrations on and near the North Sea Coast are now confirmed. That has only one meaning: a campaign of aerial raids on Britain from bases established between Emden and Hambourg. The Germans evidently realise that they cannot storm the Maginot Line. It is almost an impossible task rendered still more so by unfavourable weather. Herr Hitler's bitterness against Britain and strategical circumstances both combine to demand that his offensive be concentrated upon Britain. And, it is noteworthy in this connection that the British press is already preparing the people for it. The offensive will, of course, fail of its main purpose which is to deal a knock-out blow. But it will certainly do a lot of damage to Britain and may also raise international complications—for instance the violation of Dutch integrity—before it comes to an end. It has its advantages too for the Allies. For, as Mr. Garvin suggests, it will ultimately serve to shorten the period of war. But such advantages are possible only on the assumption that Herr Hitler's resources will remain strictly limited as they are, in fact, now.

But the question is: will this assumption, however reasonable, justify itself? The whole issue of the war almost depends on it and yet it is a question which is the most difficult to answer. There might be more in the "trade" arrangements between Russia and Germany than even the vague boasts of Herr von Ribbentrop indicated. The Soviet Trade Delegation to Germany is being made much of in Berlin and is to be shown German military preparations and even the well-guarded Siegfried Line. Do these visits indicate some relevant connection with the nature of the "trade" that Herr Hitler wants Russia to do with him? How far, that is to say, has Herr Hitler succeeded in securing that military aid which he sought from Russia? For, without Russian assistance the Fuhrer will obviously be courting eventual suicide in throwing his aerial might into an elaborate invasion of Britain.

But the situation seems to be even more serious than a mere "trade" agreement whereby Germany may secure supplies of aeroplane and other instruments of war from Russia. Trouble is raising its head in the Balkans. There is a report from Paris that, according to certain neutral observers in Berlin, Russia may launch an offensive against Rumania and Turkey simultaneously with German troop and air movements in the West. This may be an exaggeration but it is not without some substance of truth. It is likely that the "offensive" may be diplomatic, in the first instance, in the shape of demands similar to those made on the Baltic States and designed to establish hegemony over the Balkans in "collaboration" with Germany. That some impending activity of the kind is certain is clear from a significant suggestion—although emanating from Rome—that M. Molotov will announce "an important decision". And it is proved further by three things: a report from the Berlin correspondent of an Amsterdam paper; secondly, diplomatic consultations in Rumania and, thirdly, German efforts to soothe Italian suspicions, fears and irritation. In the present situation Italy occupies a key position. And Italy is still an enigma, in spite of the "Telegrafo's" hint which seems to us to be addressed both to the Allies and to the Moscow-Berlin Axis. The next few days, however, are decisive for all concerned.

OUR LONDON LETTER

Churchill As Prospective Premier

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, Oct. 5.

As the war drags on from week to week, the efficiency of the Chamberlain Cabinet is being increasingly questioned. There is to begin with much doubt as to the wisdom of having a War Cabinet composed of nine members. This is considered to be too large a body for prompt and effective decisions. What is more, the Cabinet consists mainly of Ministers with departmental duties in addition to the task of shaping war policy. There is only one Minister without Portfolio, Lord Hankey. The others are all obliged to give most of their time to the work of their own departments and have, therefore, little leisure for the consideration of questions of high strategy and diplomacy. It is said that Mr. Lloyd George, who speaks on this question with no little authority, is dissatisfied with the present position and is strongly in favour of a smaller War Cabinet consisting of about five dynamic Ministers without departmental duties. They would sit from morning until night and, when necessary, would bring in other Ministers for consultations. A scheme of this kind is now felt to be a vital need by many M.P.'s, on all sides of the House. In its broad outline it is supported not only by many Opposition members but many of those who sit on the Government benches. The question of a smaller War Cabinet is bound up with the other question of Mr. Chamberlain's own position.

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Since the breakdown of appeasement and the commencement of war, Mr. Chamberlain's stock can hardly be said to have gone up. A series of complaints have been levelled against the Government on such issue as the organisation of supplies and the prevailing unemployment and confusion in industry. Many hastily devised Government schemes to meet the emergency have also had to be scrapped, such as, for example, the Fish Distribution Scheme. The one department of Government which has come in for the largest amount of public criticism is the Ministry of Information. But this does not mean that other departments have not also revealed defects which are, one may hope, being quietly remedied. It is natural that the Ministry of Information should bear the brunt of criticism. For it is the one department with which journalists, both British and foreign, come most closely into contact. Already, since the outbreak of war it has frequently undergone reorganisation both on a minor and a major scale. The announcement elicited in Parliament that the Ministry employed nearly a thousand people came as a shock to newspapermen who were aware through personal experience of the chaos and muddle which prevailed at the Ministry's headquarters in Bloomsbury. Mr. Chamberlain has placed Lord Macmillan at the head of the Ministry and Sir Edward Grigg to be the Minister's Under-Secretary and representative in the House of Commons. These two gentlemen have been endeavouring valiantly during the last two weeks to meet the criticisms levelled against the Ministry and they have thrust upon them the responsibility for straitening things out and making the Ministry function efficiently. The Ministry has been overstaffed with personnel drawn from the Civil Service, the Navy and the Conservative Party machine so that work which was mainly of a journalistic type was entrusted to men who had no journalistic experience whatever. It was revealed by Sir Edward Grigg that of the 999 employees at the Ministry only about 50 had journalistic experience.

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It was in an attempt to overcome this defect that Lord Camrose, the owner of the London "Daily Telegraph", was given a high post in the Ministry. Although there was some satisfaction in Fleet-street at the appointment, the general sense of dissatisfaction felt by newspaper correspondents both of the Home Press and of the Press of neutral and Empire countries has by no means been mitigated. There is widespread recognition that those who are now responsible for the Ministry, Lord Macmillan and Sir Edward Grigg, are not to be blamed for its inefficiency. They were put in charge of the department only after its chaotic muddle had become something of a public scandal. The real author of the scheme, the man who planned the department and worked out on paper the lines on which it was to be organised and to function was Sir Samuel Hoare and now he is happily sheltered from criticism as he is Lord Privy Seal and, therefore, without any direct responsibility for the Ministry of which he is the true parent. The ex-Secretary of State for India, Sir Samuel Hoare, and the ex-Viceroy of India, Lord Halifax, and the late architect of the Indian Constitution, Sir John Simon, together with Mr. Chamberlain still constitute the effective heads of the present Government. The Old Firm, as we may perhaps describe this group, has certainly not risen in the public estimation since the outbreak of war. Some reference has already been made to the activities of Sir Samuel Hoare. Those of Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax hardly need to be dilated upon. As for Sir John Simon he has during the last week or so figured prominently in the debates on the War Budget which has been accepted by Parliament with a more or less good grace.

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Considering that the Opposition

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Work In Shell Factory

(From Our London Correspondent)

LONDON, October 4.

"Somewhere in England" today I had the opportunity of seeing 3.7 anti-aircraft shells being turned out by the million. Thus hangs an interesting story concerning the efforts which Great Britain is making to ensure that she emerges victorious from this war against Hitlerism.

I have in my possession plenty of evidence which shows that Britain's Service departments were not idle while Germany was reported to be feverishly working night and day on her stupendous rearmament programme. For years, believe me, British experts had planned for the day when their Parliament at Westminster would give them the word to put the whole country on a war footing And when the day came on Sunday September 3, 1939, Mr. Hore-Belisha's War Office was able instantly to place before the manufacturers the most detailed plans of what the country wanted. There was no attempt, as was the case in Nazi Germany, to dictate to the manufacturers. Their co-operation was sought on voluntary basis and this has resulted in smoothness and efficiency from the very start.

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Working on the assumption of a long war, in which the British workshop would be as vital as the British Army in the Field, experts had planned on a vast scale. In consequence, while the foundations were being well and truly laid, results had not been spectacular.

Now there is a different story to tell. The adaptation of commercial resources from peacetime employment to sterner duties has been carried very far. I wish I was permitted to say how far.

However, I can say that, as a result of the well thought out planning, new factories have been erected, specialised machinery has been produced and existing buildings and machinery have been adapted. Every day a vast output is being increased; every day more and more facilities are being brought into service. Scrupulous care is being taken to see that, while a great Army is being recruited, no interference is permitted by recruiting men essential to the vital work for the production of munitions and the machinery of war.

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The factory which I was privileged to visit to-day is an outstanding example of the turnover from peace to war time. This was an establishment once devoted to manufacturing steel products, such as tubes. Now it produces shell cases at a prodigious speed: efficiency and cheapness of output, of course, go hand in hand. I shall illustrate the point.

Many of your readers have doubtless seen the mass production of motor cars. In this factory, just one link in a tremendous, ever-lengthening chain, shells are being turned out on the mass principle. Entering the shops one saw billets of steel weighing about 38 lbs., in the rough. One followed these blocks through many processes until the finished products were added to a vast "dump" of shells.

Time marches on and as it marches on, the work in this factory goes on steadily night and day. In the large, darkened factory men, wearing gas-masks in cylindrical containers, toiled with fine concentration, scarcely pausing to glance at visitors as they picked the way with delicate care past red-hot billets of steel and a maze of whirring machinery.

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I watched, as did my other colleagues, fascinated as a grimy, sweating worker skilfully manipulating a huge pair of tongs attached to an overhead pulley. At frequent intervals ovens were opened. The tongs would descend, pick up a blazing block and deftly drop it on a metal platform at the feet of a man who immediately "scaled" it before it passed to the next process. Moving about among the lathes were men testing with gauges the accuracy of the work.

Alas, one of the major calamities of life is total deafness. In spite of that, amid unceasing roar of the factory, we saw a group of deaf mutes at work in the shot-blasting room, where the noise is greater than elsewhere. Here these men, unaware of the tumultuous noise about them, toil at one of the processes connected with cleaning and finishing the inside of the shell. They are, I was told, recruited from a deaf and dumb institute in the district and, according to an official, are glad to be able to find such useful employment.

To me, as a layman the visit was something of a bewildering experience. Nevertheless, I left this factory with a deep sense of comfort, feeling that England was settling down with quiet, grim efficiency and determination to the tremendous task of winning the war against Hitlerism and all that it stands for.

Frankly Speaking

Belgian Neutrality

Broadcasting to America on Thursday last, King Leopold of Belgium reiterated his country's "firm intention to defend her neutrality". That he and his country are justified in their intention no one can deny. And that for the very simple reason that, as King Leopold pointed out, "it would be on her soil that the war would be fought and it would be destruction for her". But this very inevitable tragedy offers a favourable ground for blackmail by at least one of the belligerents. As a matter of fact the process has begun already. A German paper held out a threat the other day that expressions of sympathy for Britain and France would be regarded as something involving a breach of neutrality. That threat has gone home, as is evident from the Belgian Foreign Minister's warning to his people. Clearly Belgium cannot stand by her rights as America, for instance, can. But it is also a fact that retreat and appeasement merely encourage Nazis to make further demands.

Interesting Situation

A situation critical for Finland and interesting to the rest of the world has arisen in connection with the Soviet-Finn negotiation. The Rome Radio reports that Russia has made demands similar to those on other Baltic States. Helsinki, however, reports that Finland has formulated counter-proposals which are to be offered to Russia as final. That means that a deadlock has been reached and cannot be resolved unless one party yields. What happens now?

Congress Voters' Duty

Mr. P. D. Shamdasani having withdrawn his candidature at the City Municipal by-elections to be held to-morrow, Mr. Vithaldas Damodar Govindji, the Congress nominee, will be returned unopposed from the Fanaswadi-Dhobitalao constituency. While the latter is to be congratulated on his easy success, which he doubtless owes to his nomination by the Congress, the former, too, deserves congratulations on his foregoing his chance of success so as to avoid a contest with the Congress at the present juncture. In the Khetwadi-Tardeo Constituency, where Prof. D. R. Gharpure is the Congress nominee, Mr. Balubhai T. Desai is his rival and has not yet withdrawn his candidature. We much wish he had withdrawn in favour of the Congress nominee. He may do so while there is yet time. If he does not, the voters should show more loyalty to the Congress and ensure Prof. Gharpure's success by a thumping majority. At any time loyalty to the Congress is a national duty. At the present juncture when British imperialists are flouting the Congress, it is a sacred duty of the people to stand up for it and manifest their confidence in it in an unmistakable manner. Such loyalty was displayed a few days ago by the people of Madras at the District Board Elections, when nearly 90 per cent. of the seats were captured by Congress caididates. Let the voters of Bombay City show that in respect of loyalty to the Congress it is their tradition to set the example to others.

Loss To Journalism

The news that the "Servant of India", the official organ of the Servants of India Society, has ceased publication with its last issue will be received with widespread and genuine regret. That a weekly run under such eminent auspices and which had a brilliant career of twenty-one years should be forced to discontinue is not merely a loss to the Society but is also an indication of the plight of the Indian press. For some reason or other week-end journals of the serious type have never thrived in this country. It is rather a great pity, for the weekly press has its own distinct place to fill in public enlightenment. In Europe and America weekly papers like the "Nation," the "Spectator" or "The Statesman and the Nation" command an influence which cannot be counted merely by their circulation figures. The well-known poverty of Indian intellectuals may be one of the main causes of the anaemia which is chronic with the weekly journals here. "The Servant of India", though it was an admittedly party organ, was admirable in its own ways and was never lacking in robustness of outlook or vigour of expression. While it affords some consolation to the sympathisers of the Society that the "Hitvada" of Nagpur is still there to serve as the party organ, both they and the readers will join in condoling the end of the "Servant of India."

Not Unconstitutional

Mr. Fazlul Huq, the Premier of Bengal, has often railed against Congress Government in a manner which cannot be associated with any responsible Ministry in India. But when Mr. N. R. Sarkar expresses his individual disappointment with the Viceroy's declaration in a thoroughly dignified manner, Mr. Huq accuses him of constitutional impropriety. Even as a Minister Mr. Sarkar has a right to criticise a Viceregal statement, and many Congress Ministers have felt it necessary to exercise that right. But if Mr. Sarkar's attitude is censured by a majority of his colleagues, it will be well for him to resign from the Cabinet. Incidentally, the Bengal episode vividly shows the difficulties of a Coalition Cabinet where the true spirit of co-operation is lacking.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

CALCUTTA, Oct. 27.

Mr. Mohomed Ahsan Imam, a young Advocate of the Calcutta High Court, an inhabitant of the Noakhali district, has sent, for the Nobel Prize this year, his work entitled "Love Lay", to Nobel Stiftelsens, Stockolm, Sweden, through Messrs. Arthur H. Stockwell Ltd., London.

The book contains 105 songs, throwing a new light on problems of life and peace, both temporal and spiritual, and attempting to usher in a new age of hope, courage and peace.—United Press.

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'Jinnah on Next Step', says a headline to the Muslim leader's statement.

The Qaid-e-Azam doesn't know it himself, but, as his statement means, he is waiting, ready and alert, for the slightest sign from the Viceroy.

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Some M.P.'s characterised Sir Stafford Cripp's speech in the India debate as "mischievous."

Quite true. What could conceivably be more mischievous than utterly un-British exposure of British Imperialism?

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Why Canada Enters The War —Headline.

Because Lord Durham cleared the way over half a century ago.

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According to a Rome report, "an important decision will be announced after the meeting" of the Soviet Supreme Council on October 31.

We are preparing for it. We have already ordered wet towels for our and the Junior Colleague's heads.

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The Soviet Trade Delegation now in Berlin will be received by Herr Hitler shortly.

There is, however, no possibility of the members receiving, as a supreme mark of the Fuehrer's appreciation, a copy each of *Mein Kampf*.

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But that doesn't mean that the services, present *and* future, of the country which they represent, shall go unrecognised by a grateful Fuehrer.

As a matter of fact they have been invited to make welcome visits to ports, shipyards, a warship and—the Siegfried Line! You may smile. But what *can* the poor anti-Bolshevik Nazis do?

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It is suggested by the Amsterdam correspondent of a British paper that von Ribbentrop's speech was a confession full of pathos that Germany was fighting with her "back to the wall."

We disagree. Germany—and particularly Ribbentrop and Hitler—is fighting with her back to comrade Stalin—complete with his Russian boots.

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Italy, says a Fascist paper, "will not allow any foreign ideology to persuade her to intervention" in the war.

Sounds like an 'afraid-I-don't-know-you' good-bye to the Fuehrer.

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He: 'I think people ought to marry opposites. I'm not going to marry till I meet a girl who's my opposite in everything.'

She: 'You oughtn't to be long doing that. There are plenty of good-looking, intelligent girls about.'

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Consistency is a jewel which the pawnbroker refuses to recognize.

Photographers are responsible for many of life's misrepresentations.

Don't forget that the money you intend to save doesn't draw any interest.

It isn't wise to bet on the unexpected just because you hear that it always happens.

If a woman didn't have a better opinion of a man than he deserves she would never fall in love with him.

Spender Advocates 'Promotion' For India

Why This Hesitation In Promising Dominion Status?

LONDON, Oct. 29.

Mr. J. A. Spender in an article prominently published in the "Sunday Times" says, "with the intimation we now have, that the German fury will be concentrated on Britain, we may expect some anxious moments in the near future, but our success hitherto in destroying submarines and countering attacks from the air on shipping, justify our confidence, that we shall again win through.

INDIAN SITUATION.

Among the aspects of the situation examined by Mr. Spender, is, the Indian situation on which he writes: "The situation there looks less encouraging. His Excellency the Viceroy is in a difficult position, that, if he makes concession to the Congress, he risks offending not only the Princes, but a large number of others in British India who do not acknowledge the right of the Congress to speak for them. Those who have never debated with Indian politicians about the meaning of the word Independence, will doubtless think it preposterous that Mr. Gandhi should demand from the Viceroy a promise of "Complete Independence."

The phrase has a formidable sound, but has, by this time, a conventional meaning which robs it of much of its sting in the eastern countries.

WATCHING FOR THURSDAY'S DEBATE.

Mr. Spender expresses the hope that Thursday's debate will ease this situation and adds, that the promise of reconsideration should be acted upon with as little delay as possible.

"I have never been able to understand the hesitation in promising 'Dominion Status' to India. 'Dominion Status,' fitted as it must be, to the special necessities of India—the necessities which will be more than ever brought out by the war—is the right description of India's place in the British Empire and Commonwealth.

She must be promoted from the Empire to the Commonwealth but for the moment spirit is more than law or constitution. What rankles in the minds of self-respecting Indians is that they have been shut out from the consideration of measures necessary for the safety of their own country. Mere invitation to confer does not meet this part of their case."—Reuter.

"SOME FUEL BEHIND THIS SMOKE"

LONDON, October 29.

In an article in the "Sunday Observer" with a heavily leaded heading "Get Ready", Mr. Garvin declares that undoubtedly, the next phase of German plan is to concentrate absolutely against Britain by sea and air simultaneously, and an unprecedented pressure on the Neutral.

While some of the horrific threats now filling the German Press must be regarded as fantastic, says Mr. Garvin, there must be fuel of some kind behind this extent of smoke. Herr Hitler and Gen. Goering will stake all on the old theory of "knock-out blow" by direct attack on Britain's vital interests, namely naval bases, shipyard, harbours, air factories, chief industrial centres, and key-points of transport; in other words, real war will be just what we expected at the beginning.

The most cheered sentence in Herr Hitler's Reichstag speech was: "There are no longer any islands".

We shall see what that means, declares Mr. Garvin, in British Government's cool judgment, this country is well able to bear the brunt of a national battle against an overhead invasion. If after that, the absolute air-supremacy we require is, rapidly created by the mightiest industrial effort, we have ever yet made in so short a time, this war will not last three years. Instead, we shall come in sight of true peace and the world's deliverance within six months. With the aid of the Empire especially of Canada and what the "unfettered neutrality" of the United States may supply, it can and must be done.—Reuter.

WOUNDED ON WESTERN FRONT

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50 or 60 stretchers attended by nurses, awaited on the platform.

The train was greypainted with a redcross prominently displayed on a White background.

Stretcher-bearers and police speedily transferred the sufferers to the ambulances.

Later, another ambulance train arrived and was cleared with similar celerity.—Reuter.

S. AFRICAN PLANS TO COUNTER NAZI PROPAGANDA

LONDON, October 29

The South African Union Unity Fund are opening branches in Kenya, Tanganyika and Nysaland and other places to counter Nazi propaganda.

A lie detector Department will be set up to answer untruths spread by Nazi propaganda.—Reuter.

GERMAN RAIDERS IN ATLANTIC

PARIS, October 29

Five German raiders appear to be operating in North and South Atlantic, according to the Military correspondent of "Le Intransigeant" who says from incomplete evidence the raiders are reported to be the two pocket battleships "Deutschland" and "Von Sheer" and three other vessels "Westphalen", "Friesenland" and "Ostmark", which before the war were supply ships for German South Atlantic plane services.

Another raider "Schwabenland" is reported have sunk the steamer "Clement" and was sunk herself a few days afterwards by British cruiser.—Reuter.

German Raider Over Orkneys

LONDON, Oct. 28.

A German raider which appeared over Orkneys to-day was the first seen near the Islands for ten days.

As soon as the plane was sighted, the alarm was sounded and warning signals were sent to all parts of the Islands.

Almost at the same time, fighter aircraft flashed into the view whereupon the raider turned seawards with defence machines in hot pursuit.

The German plane was apparently not a bomber and was engaged on a reconnaissance flight.—Reuter.

"CITY OF FLINT"

MOSCOW, Oct. 29.

According to a Tass Agency message from Murmansk the "City of Flint" left Murmansk on Saturday night "after machine repairs".—Reuter.

CONCENTRATION ON NORTH SEA COAST

LONDON, October 28.

The Paris radio announced that information received in Paris confirms reports of Germans concentrating troops on the North Sea Coast between Bremen and Hamburg.

On Swiss Frontier

PARIS:—German troop concentrations on the Swiss Frontier continue according to well-informed French circles. Swiss Military authorities are reported to have taken precautionary measures.

Surprise Developments?

BRUSSELS:—Reports from Berlin state military developments are expected at any moment, details of which are known only to Herr Hitler and his chiefs. Well-informed circles believe that action will be directed against Britain.—Reuter.

FATE OF U-BOAT CREW

Bodies Found Floating

PARIS, Oct. 28

While the sinking of a large German submarine by the French is not yet officially announced, the finding of bodies of German crew floating in the water confirms the success of an action against an U-Boat on Thursday when it is believed a submarine was sunk.—Reuter.

Gloucester Visits War Memorials

LONDON, Oct. 28.

The Duke of Gloucester, driving his own car, visited the memorials in memory of the men of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Newfoundland in 1914-18, reports Reuter's Special Correspondent with the B. E. F.

The Duke is setting aside a day soon for a special visit to the memorial in memory of Indians.—Reuter.

Cigarettes For Troops

LONDON, October 28.

Lord Nuffield has given the Overseas League Tobacco Fund one thousand sterling which is sufficient to provide a million cigarettes for the troops.—Reuter.

FINLAND'S "LAST WORD"

Four Ministers' Draft Reply To Soviet Demands

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 28.

Four Ministers including the Prime Minister and M. Tanner spent the day drafting Finland's reply to Soviet demands which is reported to be Finland's last word.

Afterwards, Party leaders were called together to hear the Soviet demands.

Delegates will take the document to, Moscow on Tuesday.

Last night, Helsinki underwent a 'blackout' without air-raid Sirens.—Reuter.

FINLAND REJECTS MILITARY ALLIANCE

LONDON, Oct. 28.

According to the Rome Radio, to-night, Soviet demands on Finland include a military alliance granting air and naval bases.

Finland rejects military alliance as incompatible with her neutrality, but the report adds, that she is willing to grant bases in return for territory in Karelia.—Reuter.

FINLAND & RUSSIA'S 'ANXIETY'

LONDON, Oct. 28.

Contact has taken place between Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade and M. Maisky of a preliminary and exploratory character on questions of Anglo-Soviet trade.

It is expected that contacts will be resumed in a few days.

The conversations have been on much the same principles as trade talks with other countries caused by abnormal war conditions. It is not felt that the position will be changed by the Soviet note regarding contraband.—Reuter.

Labour Success In By-Election

LONDON, October 28

Sir William Jowett has been returned unopposed as a Labour member of the House of Commons for Ashton-Under-Lyne, in succession to F. B. Simpson who died.—Reuter

A.-I. Sugar Industry Conference

LONDON, Oct. 29.

The Government of India have decided to convene at an early date an All-India Conference representing all aspects of sugar industry to consider measures to secure the industry's rationalisation and stabilisation.—Reuter.

ALTERNATIVE FOR PROVINCES

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tive parties in the eight Congress Provinces the conclusion is reached that excepting in Assam and the Frontier where the position is difficult to judge owing to Coalitions, it will not be possible even for all non-Congress groups including Independents to form stable Ministries to replace the Congress.

Therefore unless there is yet some rapprochement between the British Government and the Congress, the Governors will have no alternative but to take recourse to Section 93 of the Government of India Act, 1935. The Governors' invitations to leaders of the various Opposition groups in the provinces, it is pointed out here, are to satisfy themselves that this is the position.

In Madras the leader of the Justice Party, Kumararajah Muthia Chettiar has already declined the Governor's invitation to form a Ministry although he has given another reason for it.

The position of the Congress parties in the provinces as it stood on August 1 is as follows:

Provinces.	Congress	Non-Congress.	
U.P.	147	81	223
Madras	162	53	215
Bombay	89	87	175
Bihar	98	54	152
Orissa	35	25	60
C.P.	71	41	112
Frontier	21	29	50
(Coalitionist 29)			
Assam	32	73	105
(Coalitionist 58)			

SOVIETISATION OF OCCUPIED POLAND

On The Anvil Of Newly Elected National Assembly

MOSCOW, Oct. 29.

M. Stalin was elected Honorary President of the newly elected National Assembly of Western White Russia, one of the two districts in Russian occupied Poland at a meeting at Bialystok.

Proposals for the establishment of the Soviet system, incorporation in the Soviet of the White Russian Republic, confiscation of landed estates and nationalisation of banks and heavy industry were placed on the Agenda.—Reuter.

"Admit It Into Soviet Union"

MOSCOW, Oct. 28.

The National Assembly of the Western Ukraine sitting at Lwow in the Soviet-occupied territory of Poland has passed a resolution requesting the Supreme Soviet to admit the region into the Soviet Union.—Reuter.

In German-Occupied Polish Territory

LONDON, Oct. 28.

The German wireless briefly announced that the German High Command had issued a decree dealing with measures of confiscation in occupied former Polish territory.

No details are given.—Reuter.

LITHUANIAN TROOPS ENTER VILNA

VILNA, Oct. 29.

Lithuanian troops entered the 600-year-old capital for the first time for nearly 20 years.

The troops were welcomed by representatives of the Lithuanian White Russian, Jewish and Polish communities.

The Lithuanians accorded them a jubilant reception, but the Poles were reserved and silent.

Soviet troops helped the Lithuanians to keep order.

The city is not damaged but the population is in serious need of food which is being sent from Lithuania.

A Soviet garrison still remains in Vilna, prepared to march into the Lithuanian bases granted to Russia under the recent pact.—Reuter.

Palestine Jewry Welcome Turkish Pact

DELHI, (By Mail).

A telegram received from Palestine states:—

Responsible Jewish spokesmen welcome the signature of the Anglo-French-Turkish pact and recall that Zionists have repeatedly signified their desire to assist and to strengthen Anglo-Turkish relations.

Instances are Dr. Weisman's visit to Angora last year and the encouragement of economic co-operation between Palestine Jewry and Turkey.

STOP PRESS

BALKAN DEVELOPMENTS.

PARIS, Oct. 29.

Agents of Herr von Ribbentrop received several leaders of the Comitadji (Bulgarian Irregulars) from Dobrudja and Macedonia during the past few days according to a Havas Despatch from the German Frontier. Importance is attached to the reported meetings in connection with political developments in the Balkans.—Reuter.

HITLER-MUSSOLINI PLANS AGAINST BRITAIN?

PARIS, Oct. 29.

A communique states that all was quiet generally during the day.

The weather on the Western Front is getting worse and worse. Snow has fallen in the Vosges an lower areas round the River Saar Reports reaching here suggest that General Keitel is now Hitler's right hand man in military matters and is enjoying fullest confidence and General von Brauchitsch is a little more than a figurehead at the moment.

After conferring with General Gauleiters last week, Hitler had a long telephone conversation with Mussolini according to rumours reaching the Havas Agency from the German Frontier. The two dictators are said to have discussed the chances of a big offensive against Britain. The Duce is said to have been very reserved with regard to its being successful.

Towards Relief In China

Jawaharlal Reception Committee's Cheque

RANGOON, Oct. 28.

A cheque for Rs. 2,188-8-0 was presented to Mr. P. L. Soong, Consul-General for China, on behalf of the Pandit Nehru Reception Committee, with a request that it may be sent to Madame Chiang Kai-Shek towards the Relief Fund for sufferers in China as desired by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. The amount is made up of Rs. 2,063-8-0 realised on September 8 when Pandit Nehru gave a lecture at the City Hall and Rs. 125 subscribed by the residents of Lashio and presented to Pandit Nehru.—United Press.

GOODWILL MISSION TO CHINA

RANGOON, Oct. 28.

A goodwill visit by prominet people of Rangoon to Chungking is being arranged by the Chinese authorities and leading members of the Burmese community and those Indians who helped China's cause are being approached in this connection. It is understood that they will be taken by 'plane to Chungking and brought back by car via the new highway.—United Press.

MEDICAL COUNCIL OF INDIA

NEW DELHI, Oct. 23.

The Central Government have nominated Major General D. P. Goil, I.M.S. (retired) to be a member of the Medical Council of India, from the United Provinces, with effect from October 19, 1939, vice Colonel J. A. S. Phillips, I.M.S., resigned.

Major-General P. S. Mills, Surgeon-General with the Government of Bengal, Dr. H. R. Wadhani (from Sind), Col. G. G. Jolly, Officiating Director-General of Indian Medical Service, and Rai Bahadur Maharaj Krishna Kapur from the Punjab have also been nominated as members of the Council.—United Press.

BIFURCATION OF EXCISE DEPT.

NEW DELHI, Oct. 23.

As a result of the centralisation of the Central Excises from April 1, 1938 and the taking over of the administration of Bengal Salt Department from the Provincial Government, explains a Press Note of the Government of India, the work of the Central Excises and Salt Department, Northern India, has considerably increased.

It has, therefore, been decided that the Department should be divided into two independent charges, namely Central Excises and Salt Department, North-Eastern India (Headquarters, Calcutta) and the Central Excises and Salt Department, North-Western India (Headquarters, Delhi). The bifurcation of the Department will take effect from December 11.—United Press.

XMAS GREETINGS TO NEUTRAL COUNTRIES

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28.

A Press Communique from the Indian Posts and Telegraphs Department states that permits will not be required for Christmas and New York Caros addressed to neutral countries but that these will be censored in the usual way.—United Press.

CZECHOSLOVAKIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

Dr. Benes Acclaimed Leader In London Celebrations

LONDON, Oct. 28.

"Czechoslovakia lives," declared Doctor Benes, when he was enthusiastically acclaimed Leader at the "Independence Day" celebration in London.

Dr. Benes was almost overcome with emotion when M. Jan Masaryk, the former Czechoslovak Minister in London, called him their Leader.

M. Masaryk declared that the ideal of his countrymen was a free Czechoslovakia in a free Europe—an ideal for which they were willing to live, work and die.

M. Masaryk asked the Allies to allow them to form an organisation to collect and equip their youngsters who wanted to fight.—Reuter.

BUKHAREST TALKS

LONDON, Oct. 28.

The Prime Ministers of Rumania and Yugoslavia met at the common Frontier of the two countries.

The Foreign Minister of Rumania conferred with the Ambassadors in Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Greece who were suddenly called to Bukharest.—Reuter.

SYSTEM WHICH WILL NOT PRODUCE PARASITES

Training Of Mind While Training The Hands

KHER AND KIRPALANI ON BASIC EDUCATION

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, Oct. 29.

"Our objective is to have a system of Education which will produce a person who will not be a drag and parasite but a useful member of society" observed the Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier, welcoming the delegates at the first session of the Basic Education Conference, which commenced here this evening, Acharya J. B. Kirpalani, General Secretary All-India Congress Committee, presiding.

Over a hundred delegates, including officers in charge of educational departments in Congress governed Provinces attended. An equally large number of visitors was present. The Hon. Mr. Kher referred to a similar conference held at Wardha two years back when the question was merely academically considered. The scheme was expounded by Gandhiji when the question of financing universal primary education having some real use to child confronted the Congress ministries.

The new system of education, continued Mr. Kher aims at turning children into useful citizens, capable of exercising their intelligence, rights and duties as such. It aimed at producing workers and not drags or parasites, who whether, rich or poor, would look upon all kind of useful work including manual labour, even scavenging, as honourable and who would be both able and willing to stand on their own feet.

Proceeding, the Premier cautioned that great ideals could not be achieved in a day and that it must be seen that in making short cuts to reach the goal the ideal was not missed or a wrong tract not tred. The path was to be made as they proceeded and in carving it out, they must see that it was the easest and simplest. He concluded by assuring that there were no political or other consideration underlying the system.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Acharya Kirpalani said that Gandhiji had based his theory of basic education on learning first-hand from nature. A scientific system must stand on the laws of nature and science meant search of truth with the help of experiments. "The Art of teacher is the highest of all but even the teacher, too, has to be trained. Education to be effective must have high ideals. The ideal of present education had been to produce Indians, who would differ from Englishmen only in colour of their skins. It has not produced mere copies of Englishmen, inasmuch as we have copied only Englishman's faults."

Proceeding Acharya Kirpalani said that in order to understand the system of basic education, Gandhian philosophy must be understood. It was necessary that there should be some correspondence between material and spiritual and between individual and society. Individual without society was barbarian and a society that swallowed individual was democracy negatived. Society must be spiritualised by introducing moral and spiritual values to reinstitute the individual. Power accumulated breeds corruption, which must be removed to re-establish society on a spiritual basis. Gandhian philosophy would therefore, spiritualise socialism and democracy and democratise education so that it might reach the masses.

Co-operative Notes

MYSORE CONFERENCE

(From A Special Correspondent)

Among Indian States, Mysore ranks first in co-operative progress. The administrative machinery is on a par with that obtaining in the major Indian provinces. In 1923 and again in 1934 the State appointed Committees of Inquiry to take stock of the movement, the first Committee having been presided over by the late Sir Lalubhai Samaldas. The annual co-operative conference is part of the Dusserah celebrations—an indication that the movement basks in the sunshine of official patronage. Whether such patronage is a source of strength or weakness is a matter of opinion. Be that as it may, institutions in Indian States have a certain fascination of their own. The Reserve Bank of India Bulletin No. 1 put the Kodinar Banking Union in Baroda State on the co-operative map of India and its Bulletin No. 2-Co-operative Village Banks—holds up to our admiring gaze the village society of Lalitadripur in Mysore State, in which a comprehensive programme of debt conciliation, house building, grain banking, milk supply and welfare has been carried out. It has been pointed out, however, that Lalitadripur is not a fair sample of a multi-purpose society as "it has the double advantage (not ordinarily available) of a lavish supply of funds and active encouragement from the Mysore Palace and the services of a State-aid Inspector who devotes ample time to its supervision."

Is It Hot House Culture?

These observations come to one's mind because one finds that from the presidential address of Mr. K. V. Anantharaman, Second Member of the State Executive Council, presiding over the Mysore Provincial Co-operative Conference held during the last week-end, that the movement does not seem to be progressing quite satisfactorily in the State, says Mr. Ananthraman. "The Co-operative Movement cannot be said to have developed on proper lines. It has not encouraged thrift. Loans granted were not used for, that large amounts became irrecoverable. Repayments were notoriously irregularly. Co-operation has not been used for efficient production and marketing of commodities." The State can, of course play a great part in all nation-building activities. It can give legislative and fiscal facilities and supply proper guidance, but beyond that it should not go. The co-operative movement is essentially a people's movement and its success or failure will ultimately depend on the people's aptitude and liking for it. Hot-house co-operation may make a brave show for some time, but it cannot grow and thrive unless it takes root firmly in the soil.

All-India Co-operators' Day

The International Co-operators' Day is an occasion for co-operators of the world to gather together and to affirm their faith in the ideals of the movement. Co-operation is an economic movement, in some countries a predominantly working class movement. It has an ethical background and for the last few years the authorities of the International Co-operative Alliance have also been trying to harness it to the cause of peace. The official resolution adopted on the Co-operators' Day repeats year after year the firm determination of co-operators in their millions to safeguard the cause of peace. Such a resolution was passed this year also on 1st July, the first Saturday in July being the International Co-operators' Day. In India the Day is celebrated on the first Saturday in November. As, in the meanwhile, war has actually broken out, we are saved from the hypocrisy of doing lip service to the cause of peace while country after country loses its independence to the armed might of the imperialists. Instead, the All-India Co-operative Institutes' Association have modified the resolution and co-operators in India may adopt it with a clear conscience in their meetings on Saturday the 4th November. The Resolution runs as follows:—

This Assembly of co-operators, comprised in the world-wide membership of the international co-operative alliance—

Recognising the gravity of the present world war, and in the presence of the failure of Governments, either collectively or individually, to restore understanding and fraternity in International Relations, and thus to raise an impregnable barrier against war—

Re-affirms the conviction that the Co-operative System of Economy and its Social Ideals represent the future basis of civilisation, and the surest guarantee of Peace, and

Calls upon all Co-operative Organisations—National and International—to immediately formulate the demands of Co-operators and mobilise their force as citizens, with all the moral and economic influence they possess, in the defence of freedom; the re-establishment of justice; the full recognition of human rights; and the restoration of peace.

Prove Single Act Of Injustice To Muslims

Madras Parliamentary Secretary's Challenge To Muslim League

MADRAS, Oct. 29.

Mr. A. K. M. Mohideen Mariacair, Parliamentary Secretary, in the course of a statement says:

The sense of relief and satisfaction he felt when he found no Muslim signatory to the recent manifesto of the Non-Brahmin leaders, happened to be only a short-lived one and he really felt humiliated as a Muslim, when he read the amendment drafted by the Muslim League to the main resolution on war sponsored by the Congress Governments in the Provincial Legislative Assemblies. The Speaker of the Madras Assembly had rightly ruled out the amendment since it did not in any way relate to the resolution on war. Although the Muslim League claim to speak on behalf of all the Muslims of India, he was happy to note that only members of the Muslim League Party participated in the walk-out demonstration on the ruling out of the amendment by the Speaker.

PROCEEDING MR. MARIACAIR CHALLENGES THE MUSLIM LEAGUE IN THIS PROVINCE TO PROVE SATISFACTORILY ONE SINGLE ACT OF INJUSTICE TO MUSLIMS ON THE PART OF THE CONGRESS GOVERNMENT.

In conclusion he made an appeal to Muslim countrymen to sink their petty differences and rally round the banner of freedom in this great hour of crisis. —A. P.

SARKAR'S REPLY TO HAQUE

Members Of Coalition Cabinet Have Right To Express Personal Opinion

JASDIH (Bihar), Oct. 25.

"It has been my misfortune to differ from my leader and colleague, the Hon. Mr. Fazlul Huq, on several occasions in the past and his latest statement criticising my views on the recent announcement of the Viceroy is another which I cannot in justice to myself let go unnoticed," says the Hon. Mr. N. R. Sarkar, Finance Minister of Bengal, in a statement to the Press.

Mr. Sarkar adds, "Needless to say this does not even touch the fringe of our very cordial personal relations. I may be permitted, however, to point out that there are certain fundamental misconceptions in Mr. Huq's statement. The Finance Minister of Bengal has not joined the malcontents and has never had a fling at the Viceroy. The Finance Minister is not in the picture at all What I had said were my personal views only, and my admiration for His Excellency Lord Linlithgow is too profound and genuine to ever betray me into the impropriety of having any fling at him. At the same time, I think it is neither unconstitutional nor improper for me to criticise His Excellency's public policy, which affects the larger interests of India.

"My statement was only an honest expression of my views relative of the reaction of His Excellency's momentous statement 'vis-a-vis' India's demand for equal partnership in the British Commonwealth of Nations. I had attempted in my humble way to make some contribution to the solution of the intriguing problem which is filling up the political horizon of India. Mr. Huq will be the first to admit that the well-understood convention of a Coalition Cabinet must recognise individual expression of opinion on the burning question of the day outside the ambit of provincial responsibility.

My statement did by no means transgress the limitations of the constitution. As for instance, both my friend and I have previously expressed different views on other occasions and even on the present war situation. The opposite views were never held to smack of unconstitutionalism or impropriety of any description, I have read my statement over again and I am really pained that it or any part of it could have been called unconstitutional by an experienced politician like my friend, Mr. Fazlul Huq.

"Mr. Huq in the past has made many statements and speeches as a prominent leader of the Moslem community. Although such communal statements can hardly represent the official view of the Coalition Government of Bengal, nobody called them unconstitutional for the simple reason that these views were Mr. Huq's own personal views. Even in his present statement there is an attack on the Congress, which necessarily need not be the view of the Bengal Government. I never claimed that I was voicing the opinion of the Bengal Government when I issued my last statement. In the circumstances, I fail to discover any reason why the Hon. Prime Minister should think it necessary to dissociate the Cabinet and himself from views which were my own. If necessary, I shall issue a fuller statement later on." A.P.

AMBEDKAR AND HARIJANS

His Private Secretary For 15 Years Condemns His Policy

(From A Correspondent)

A public meeting of the Harijans (Chamars) was held on Sunday at Rajapur taluka Shrigonda, Distt. Ahmednagar when Mr. S. N. Shivatarkar, Supervisor of the Municipal Schools, Bombay, presided. In his presidential address Mr. Shivatarkar gave a bird's eye view of the movement of the Harijans in the Bombay Province and graphically explained the circumstances under which the movement for Harijan uplift saw drastic and rapid progress under the guiding force of the national movement carried on in the country by the Congress. He explained also the ways in which Mahatma Gandhi and his staunch followers have been giving a definite shape to the movement for the Harijan uplift.

The Congress Government and the Harijan Sevak Sangh have been doing their level best for the Harijan cause. Mr. Shivatarkar deplored Dr. Ambedkar's attitude towards Gandhiji, the Sangh and the Congress in the Harijan affairs. He explained in detail and illustrated profusely his statements from the facts of his personal experiences as he was Dr. Ambedkar's intimate associate and private Secretary for over 15 years,—how Dr. Ambedkar is studiously following his policy at the sacrifice of the interest of the communities whom he often claimed to represent. As a matter of fact, in Mr. Shivatarkar's opinion, Dr. Ambedkar does not and will not represent any other community than the Mahar community. He advised the Harijans to unite together and lead their fight for social equality and national liberty. Various resolutions, including those thanking the Congress Government, Harijan Sevak Sangh, etc., or their sympathetic attitude towards the Harijan cause were passed.

A VIEW OF THE CROWDED VISITORS' GALLERY OF THE BOMBAY ASSEMBLY ON THURSDAY WHEN DEBATE ON PREMIER'S "WAR" RESOLUTION WAS INITIATED.

CONGRESS & MUSLIMS

Fazlul Huq's Challenge

AJMER, October 27.

The Hon. Mr. Fazlul Huq, Premier of Bengal, who is at present on a visit to Ajmer in the course of a statement on the action taken by the Bombay Government against the Muslim Press says: Owing to an unfortunate mistake I mentioned Bombay instead of the U. P. The Bombay Government has come out with a contradiction stating that Press persecution in Bombay has not been as heavy as I have stated. With this I need not quarrel, because my charge against the U. P. Government remains.

I am surprised at Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's statement that it is quite inconceivable to him that Hindus can tyrannize over Muslims. It is not a question of conception but a question of realities, and I have got definite evidence that most inconceivable atrocities have been committed on Muslims and the Congress Government would not, at any rate, did not take any action to protect Muslims. Giving several instances where Congress Governments have failed in their duties, Mr. Huq challenges Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to fix a convenient time and says: "I would take him to about a dozen places which I am sure would open his eyes to the atrocities which Congress has committed on Muslim minorities. If I cannot substantially prove my charges I would resign from my office but if I can, Congress Ministries must resign and go.

Let Pandit Nehru take up this challenge and let there be an end of all this affected air of innocence which Congress leaders have been won't to adopt.

CONGRESS MINISTRIES & MUSLIMS

Jinnah On Rejection Of President's Offer

NEW DELHI, Oct. 27.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, has issued the following statement:

"What can one think of the responsible leaders of the Congress, including Mr. Gandhi? Mr. Gandhi, in his article in the "Harijan," dated October 21, starts by stating that in my reply to the Congress President's letter, which offered to refer the Congress-League question to an arbitration tribunal. I said that I had already placed the whole case before His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General, Mr. Gandhi said: 'It is unfortunate that he has rejected Rajendra Babu's proposal. Is it a rejection of the proffered hand of friendship?'

"I ask any intelligent man to judge for himself whether it was an offer to refer the Congress-League question to arbitration. In some other quarters it is said that the hand of friendship which was offered in that letter had been rejected. Let us examine the whole position. Mr. Rajendra Prasad, in his letter, said that he would get the Congress Working Committee to pass a resolution to appoint Sir Maurice Gwyer or some other person to investigate only any specific charges which we formulate against the Ministries of the Congress-governed provinces.

"TRAVESTY OF JUSTICE"

"The first question arises as to what is the authority of the Working Committee, legal or constitutional: our allegations are against the Ministries of certain provinces, which are responsible to the legislatures and electorates of their respective provinces. It is true that the Congress Working Committeee is a Fascist Grand Council and that the Congress Ministries have been reduced to a position of being merely its creatures. But we cannot acquiesce in that position. The party accused are not only the Ministries, but also the Congress Working Committee, whose ukase is carried out by the Ministries.

"Now, let us see how the President of the Congress begins his offer. He starts by saying that our allegations and charges are without any foundation whatsoever. So, the accused has already passed his judgment and given his decision. But, after that, he proceeds to say that he will get the Congress Working Committee to pass a resolution to appoint an impartial and independent tribunal, if we specify our charges. So, they have already decided the terms of reference and the scope and authority of the tribunal.

"Then again, what power can they confer upon the tribunal to summon witnesses, take evidence on oath and call for the production of the documents that might be required? Furthermore, to whom is this independent and impartial tribunal to make its report for any action to be taken in the light of its findings? I suppose to the Congress Working Committee, the accused. Who will be the judge, finally, as to what action, if any, is to be taken against the Ministries concerned? It is a mentality which has gone beyond any sense of responsibility. The whole thing would be a travesty of justice."—A. P.

JINNAH & KHAKSARS

NEW DELHI, Oct. 26.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah in a statement to the "Associated Press" says:—Dr. Katju saw me in Delhi on October 18 on behalf of the United Provinces Government in connection with the situation created with regard to Khaksars and I placed before him the proposals of the Khaksars, and after full discussion he promised me that he would go back to Lucknow and confer with his colleagues and finally let me know on or before October 25 how far the United Provinces Government are prepared to meet the demands formulated by the Khaksars. I received from him last night the proposals on behalf of the Government showing how far they are prepared to meet the Khaksars' demands. I have forwarded the U. P. Government's proposals in answer to the Khaksars' demands to Allama Mashraqi to-day for him to consider and deal with them in such manner as he may be advised.

I may make it clear that my position from the commencement was not that of an arbitrator; nor had either party agreed to abide by my advice. I tried to bring about a settlement between the Khaksars, as their sympathiser and friend, and the U. P. Government in the best interests of the Mussalmans of India, as the situation was causing enormous feeling among Mussalmans all over India. —A. P.

INCREASED RLY. EARNINGS

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28.

The approximate earnings of the Indian State Railways for the period ending October 10, 1939 amount to Rs. 248 lakhs. This is Rs. 12 lakhs more than the actuals for the corresponding period of the previous year and Rs. 5 lakhs less than the actuals for the corresponding period of 1937-38.

The total approximate gross earnings from April 1. to October 1939 amount to Rs. 48.07 crores. This is Rs. 19 lakhs more than the actuals for the corresponding period of the previous year and Rs. 14 lakhs more than the actuals for the corresponding period of 1937-38.—United Press.

CONVICTION CONFIRMED

JUBBULPORE, Oct. 28.

Mr. K. G. Digby, I. C. S., Sessions Judge, has confirmed the conviction and sentence of a fine of Rs. 1,000 inflicted by the Lower Court on a member of the local Bar Association on a charge of seducing a young unmarried Indian Christian Graduate girl, formerly in the employ of the Crosthwaite Girls' High School, Allahabad and later deserting her after making her the mother of a child as she did not agree to practise abortion as suggested by her "lover".—United Press.

CONGRESS WORK IN N. W. F. P.

Frontier Gandhi's Appeal To Khudai-Khidmatgars

PESHAWAR, Oct. 29.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, a member of the Working Committee, has released to the press the following resolution which was adopted at the last meeting of the Congress Working Committee, at Wardha, relating to the proposal of the Frontier Provincial Congress Committee seeking to effect a change in its constitution so as to eliminate all parties existing within the Frontier Congress other than the Congress:—

"The Working Committee consider the new rule framed by the F. P. C. C. recommending the addition of a proviso to Article Four of their constitution. The Committee understand that the object of the proposed amendment is to secure uniformity of policy and practice among Congressmen in the Province and to ensure conformity to discipline. The Committee realise that the Frontier P. C. C. has to face peculiar difficulties in the carrying on of its work in view of the special circumstances prevailing in the Province, and it is necessary to maintain discipline and to prevent disruptive tendencies from developing. Such discipline and unity of effort are all the more necessary because of the great crisis that confronts the country and which necessitates full preparation for united action.

The Committee are of opinion that the object aimed at by the proposed amendment can be achieved by the P.C.C. taking disciplinary action against a Congressman who commits a breach of the fundamental policy of the Congress or who deliberately acts in such a way as to bring discredict on the Congress. The P.C.C. has power under the constitution to take such disciplinary action. The proposed amendment to article Four of the Provincial Constitution will thus be unnecessary.

The Committee expect all Congressmen in the province to help Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, the acknowledged and unrivalled leader of the Province, in the difficult task that confronts him.

The organisation of the Khudai Khidmatgars is Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan's own creation and it has done signal service to the people of the Province under his leadership. In 1931, at Khan Sahib's suggestion, this organisation of non-violent volunteers became part of the Congress Organisation. The Khudai Khidmatgars have ever since then been the Volunteer Organisation of the Congress in the Frontier Province under the Supreme Command of Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan. Their function is to serve the public and the Congress cause in the Province, and, if they are to retain efficiency, they must remain under his command and subject to his discipline. Congressmen in the Frontier Province should no form or associate themselves with, any Volunteer Organisation other than the Khudai Khidmatgars. It is open to the Khudai Khidmatgars to have a pledge for their members in keeping with Congress policy.—A. P.

The Half-Column

By "Dim"

Mr. Bramble when he spoke in the Assembly reminded me of a freshman making his maiden speech in a college debating society. It would be more appropriate if he adopted the double-barrel name of Paraphrase-Bramble.

Mr. Prater likewise should more appropriately be called Mr. Gentle-Prattle.

Sir A. M. K. Dehlavi said that democracy had become a life and death issue with the Muslim League. Death, where is thy sting?

The Muslim League should occasionally gargle with Dettol. It is a good disinfectant.

Sir Samuel Hoare once said: "Let dogs bark but the caravan goes on." Now he says "His Majesty's Government will be carried on with efficiency, strength and justice." Do we congratulate the Right Honourable Gentleman on his "control" over the English language?

Among my forecasts for a knighthood in the next Birthday Honours list is the editor of an Anglo-Indian paper. Lo, hear the gentle lark!

I see that the Committee formed to help Polish refugees, has already collected and sent a tidy sum to the Polish Embassy in London. It shows that the heart of India is still as large as ever.

AKALI SIKHS' VIEW-POINT

LAHORE, Oct. 29.

The War Sub-Committee of the Akali Party met here under the presidency of Master Tarasingh. After a prolonged discussion on the present international crisis, the meeting passed resolutions regretting that the Viceregal declaration fell short of India's national demand and hoping that good sense would prevail, and also declaring that any constitution that may be framed for India will be unacceptable unless the Sikh community is taken into confidence. It was also decided to wait in a deputation on Mahatma Gandhi and the Congress High Command to explain the Sikh viewpoint.

The meeting also expressed its strong determination to resist the attempts for transformation of the Punjab into Pakistan.—United Press.

TERRIBLE COLLISIONS ON N. W. RAILWAY

Six Persons Killed: 16 Injured In Rail-Car-Lorry Crash

LAHORE, Oct. 29.

Six persons were killed and fourteen injured,—four seriously—in a disastrous collision which occurred near Moga railway station between a railway diesel car and a lorry. The injured are lying in the Civil Hospital in a precarious condition, says a report just received from Moga.

It is stated that a lorry coming from Bilaspur to Moga tried to cross the railway line, when it collided with a railway car at the level crossing. The collision being terrific the lorry was smashed to pieces and passengers occupying the front seats were all killed. The hinder portion of the lorry was thrown off the railway track and passengers in it sustained serious injuries.

The railway car which was running at 40 miles an hour, it is believed, could not be stopped immediately.

The railway line could not be cleared till 2 p.m. to-day, and 324 Down train and 209 up train were held up and passengers transhipped. A relief train arrived at the scene of the accident.

OFFICIAL VERSION

The Divisional Superintendent N. W. Railway, at Ferozepore sends the following wire regarding the rail-car-motor lorry collision which occurred yesterday:

127 Up diesel rail-car collided with a motor lorry on an unmanned level crossing near the Up outer signal of the Moga Station at 9-30 hours on the 28th instant. 209 Up and 324 Down Passenger trains were transhipped and the block was removed at 15-15 hours.

Six lorry passengers were killed and 16 lorry passengers were injured.—United Press.

ANOTHER ACCIDENT

NEW DELHI, Oct. 28.

Yet another railway accident has occurred on the North-Western Railway between Muzaffarnagar and Rohana Kalan, resulting in the death of one man and injuries to two others.

The Divisional Railway Officer, N. W. Railway, wires to the "United Press" as follows:—

"At about 21-8 hours on the 27th October 1939, at the level-crossing class "A" gate at mile 65|11, between N. W. Rly. stations Muzaffarnagar and Rohana Kalan on the Ghaziabad Saharanpur section, lorry No. 1627|SR loaded with ghee tins dashed into the N. W. Rly. train No. 39 Up Passenger, resulting in the death of one man and injuries to two persons. The block was removed at about 23 hours the same day."—United Press.

MUTT AND JEFF—Well, Anyway, the Train Was Going Their Way, at That

By BUD FISHER

YOU POOR SIMP, YOU BALLED THINGS UP BY LANDING US IN JACKSONVILLE, ILLINOIS, INSTEAD OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA!
WELL, I DID LIKE YA TOLD ME! I SIMPLY ASKED FOR TWO TICKETS TO JACKSONVILLE
CHICAGO 150 MILES
WELL, THERE'S NO USE STANDING HERE ARGUING! WE MIGHT JUST AS WELL GO HOME - WE'RE ONLY 150 MILES FROM CHICAGO!
YEH, ONLY 150 MILES, THAT'S ALL! AND BROKE!
CHICAGO 150 MILES
LISTEN! WE GOTTA GET HOME! -- THE SUNSET LIMITED PASSES HERE IN FIVE MINUTES! WE CAN'T GET TO CHICAGO STANDING HERE!
I KNOW BUT--
WELL, NOW WE'RE ONLY 149 MILES FROM CHICAGO!
MY WATCH MUST BE SLOW!
CHICAGO 149 MILES

Local Week-End Cricket

Havewalla's Brilliant 94 Not Out

Dr. Kanga's XI Trounce B. C. A.: 'Europeans' Narrow Victory Over 'Rest': Kadri To Islam Gymkhana's Resiue: Jai, Mankad, Puri And Banerji Show Impressive Form

Brilliant batting by Havewalla, Kadri, Canteenwalla and Jai, fine knocks by Mankad, Brown, Roberts and Cohen, spirited bowling by Puri, Banerji, M. Patel, Tarapore, Mushet and Harris and excellent fielding by Moss were the outstanding features of the three 1 1/2 day local week-end first-class cricket fixtures which concluded on Sunday evening.

At Brabourne Stadium

Dr. Kanga's XI., which included most of the prospective Parsi Pentangular players, fared creditably to trounce a scratch Bombay Cricket Association side by 200 runs. The Association taking first knock suffered an amazing collapse and were soon skittled out for a meagre 70. Barring the Merchant brothers, more specially Vijay, none of the other B. C. A. bats could make any headway against their opponents' varied and accurate attack. M. Patel and Tarapore did most of the damage between them accounting for more than half the Association's side for just 40 runs. T. K. Contractor and Gai gave Dr. Kanga's XI. a promising start, which was further cemented by Canteenwalla and Colah. Canteenwalla, in particular played admirable cricket and was distinctly unlucky to let in a low one from Godambe, when just 11 runs short of three figures. His fine knock included 6 fours. However it was left to D. R Havewalla to provide the *piece de resistance* of the match and the Parsi left-hander did it in his characteristic cavalier fashion. Taking the crease late in the afternoon Havewalla opened somewhat tamely but a hard knock on the right foot soon woke him up and he opened his shoulders in such earnest that the Association's outfielders had quite a job of it looking at the clouds! Remaining unbeaten with 94, Havewalla raced desperately with the clock during the last part of his innings. During his short stay at the wicket he sent the ball 8 times to the boundary and thrice lifted it over—once clean over the pavilion.

At Hindu Gymkhana Ground Kennedy Sea Face

Impressive bowling by D. R. Puri and S. Banerji, Hindus' prospective Pentangular speed-merchants, coupled with excellent batting by their opening pair Vinoo Mankad and L. P. Jai enabled the Hindu Representative XI to have things very much their own way against Islam Gymkhana. A brilliant fighting innings of 75 by S. M. Kadri which included 11 fours prevented the match from terminating in a massacre! Jai was in great form and had 2 sixes and 11 fours in his 75, while Mankad hit a six and 9 fours.

At Bombay Gymkhana Ground Esplanade Maidan

Without the services of one of their most dependable 'stars'—R. F. Moss—the home side did well to snatch a 51 runs victory from the "Rest". For this they must thank Brown, Roberts and Mushet. Brown batted grandly for his 62 which included 7 fours—Roberts contributed a valuable 51 which had a six and 5 fours and Mushet rounded off the "Rest" batsmen just in 'time'—bagging four wickets for barely 9 runs a piece. For the visitors, Cohen hit up a fine 56 and Kadam and A. C. Pereira made useful contributions. While Harris bowled in determined style and fully deserved his 5 for 67.

BOMBAY CRICKET ASSOCIATION V. DR. KANGA'S XI

BOMBAY CRICKET ASSOCIATION

F. K. Nariman b. M. Patel	0
D. D. Hindlekar c. Engineer b. Khot	1
R. F. Moss b Gai	1
V. M. Merchant l.b.w. M. Patil	27
U. M. Merchant c. Canteenwalla b. Tarapore	17
R. J. Gharat b. M. Patel	2
S. R. Godambe run out	6
M. F. Mistry not out	7
R. R. Wadker b. Tarapore	0
D. V. Koppiker b. Tarapore	0
R. J. Jamshedji st. Enginer b. Khot	3
Extras	6
Total	70

BOWLING

M. Patel 3 for 14, E. G. Gai 1 for 13, J. B. Khot 2 for 11, K. K. Tarapore 3 for 26.

DR. KANGA'S XI.

T. K. Contractor retired	34
E. B. Gai c. Godambe b. Jamshedji	44
N. F. Canteenwalla b. Godambe	39
E. B. Aibara b. Gharat	18
P. E. Palia l.b.w. Gharat	0
S. H. M. Colah retired	40
J. B. Khot b. V. Merchant	5
D. R. Havewalla not out	94
K. K. Tarapore c. Hindlekar b. Jamhedji	20
M. P. Engineer l.b.w. Godambe	13
M. Patel b. Godambe	2
Extras	2
Total	379

BOWLING

S. R. Godambe 3 for 61, V. M. Merchant 1 for 44, D. V. Koppiker 0 for 101, F. K. Nariman 0 for 3, R. J. Jamshedji 2 for 81, R. J. Gharat 2 for 72, R. R. Wadker 0 for 6.

RESULT

Dr. Kanga's XI won by 309 runs.

HINDU REPRESENTATIVE XI V. ISLAM GYMKHANA

ISLAM GYMKHANA

(First Innings)

S. M. Kadri c. Adhikari b. Banerji	10
A. Hakim c. Mankad b. Puri	0
K. C. Ibrahim c. Sohoni b. Puri	12
A. Peerbhoy c. Mankad b. Puri	4
E. S. Maka c. Jagdale b. Puri	0
G. N. Lalji b. Mankad	33
Z. Ahmed c. Puri b. Banerji	25
Y. N. Lalji l.b.w. Banerji	0
M. Ellum b. Banerji	4
A. M. Aga c. and b. Puri	0
A. Shaikh not out	0
Extras	16
Total	104

BOWLING

D. R. Puri 5 for 16, S. N. Banerji 4 for 23, V. M. Mankad 1 for 20, M. Jagdale 0 for 16, S. W. Sohoni 0 for 13.

(Second Innings)

A. Hakim c. Mankad b. Puri	18
S. M. Kadri b. Sohoni	75
K. C. Ibrahim c. Rangnekar b. Sohoni	9
G. N. Lalji b. Banerji	23
A. Shaikh b. Adhikari	8
Z. Ahmed l.b.w. Adhikari	8
A. Peerbhoy c. Adhikari b Puri	0
A. Aga not out	15
E. Maka b. Sohoni	0
M. Ellum not out	14
Extras	14
Total (for 8 wkts.)	187

Y. N. Lalji did not bat.

BOWLING

S. Banerji 1 for 49, D. R. Puri 2 for 28, V. Mankad 0 for 20, S. W. Sohoni 2 for 22, Prithviraj 0 for 6, M. Jagdale 0 for 17, H. Adhikari 2 for 18, K. M. Rangnekar 0 for 13.

HINDU REPRESENTATIVE XI

First Innings

V. Mankad b. Hakim	58
L. P. Jai c. Maka b. Shaikh	75
K. M. Rangnekar c. Aga b. Hakim	6
Prithviraj b. Y. N. Lalji	3
M. Jagdale l.b.w. Hakim	0
H. Adhikari c. Ibrahim b. Z. Ahmed	28
S. W. Sohoni st. Aga. b. Z. Ahmed	23
M. S. Naik retired	32
S. Banerji retired	33
D. R. Puri b. Peerbhoy	8
K. V. Bhandarkar not out	1
Extras	3
Total	280

BOWLING

A. Hakim 3 for 75, G. N. Lalji 0 for 29, A. U. Shaikh 1 for 56, Y. N. Lalji 1 for 55, A. Peerbhoy 1 for 48, Z. Ahmed 2 for 14.

RESULT

Hindu Representative XI won on first innings.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA V. "REST"

BOMBAY GYMKHANA

R. C. Mushat l.b.w. Harris	3
G. M. C. Craik b. Harris	12
J. E. Tew b. Gilder	23
B. R. T. Greer b. Gilder	7
F. J. Walker b. Gilder	12
A. N. Brewer b. Harris	9
G. R. R. Brown b. Harris	62
S. C. G. Bach c. D'Avoine b. D'Souza	29
R. A. Roberts c. Gilder b. Gonsalves	51
G. Bath b. Harris	0
A. Mallinson not out	13
Extras	12
Total	241

BOWLING

Harris 5 for 67, D'Souza 1 for 40, Bhaskar 0 for 27, Mane 0 for 11, Gilder 3 for 45, Kadam 0 for 12, Gonsalves 1 for 27.

"REST"

M. Cohen run out	56
J. O. Gonsalves c. and b. Mushet	16
B. P. Kadam b. Craik	32
E. G. Mane c. Brown b. Mushet	14
T. D'Mello l.b.w. Brown	0
P. A. D'Avoine l.b.w. Mushet	0
J. Harris b. Mushet	14
A. C. Pereira not out	29
L. D'Souza b. Bath	2
P. A. Bhaskar c. Roberts b. Brown	12
T. Gilder b. Bach	3
Extras	6
Total	190

BOWLING

Mushet 4 for 37, Brown 2 for 65, Bath 1 for 28, Bach 1 for 25 Craik 1 for 28.

RESULT

Bombay Gymkhana won by 51 runs.

Olympic Games

BRUSSELS, Oct. 29.

M. Baillet Labour President of the International Committee has written to members of the Olympic Committee sounding the advisability of holding the games next year, if the War was still continuing and asking whether their various countries would send teams in the event of Finland deciding to go ahead with the games at Helsinki.—Reuter.

Mrs. Wills-Moody Weds Aifan Roark

LAS VEGAS, (Nevada), Oct. 29.

The famous Tennis player Mrs. Helen Wills-Moody married the well-known Irish International Polo player Mr. Aifan Roark.

It was second marriage for both.—Reuter.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE RULES.

NEW DELHI, (By Mail).

An amendment to rule 55 of the Auditor's Certificates Rules, 1932, has been published in the "Gazette of India," to-day with the Commerce Department Notification No. 1-A (3)|39. The amendment relates to the removal of a member from the Indian Accountancy Board in certain circumstances.

World Of Sport: Home And Abroad

Major Nayudu's Selection Acclaimed

(By Looker-on)

The Selection of Major C. K. Nayudu as Captain of the Hindus has been acclaimed by all. There is not the least doubt that he is the best choice. His wide experience of Cricket both in India and abroad and his high attainments in this field easily mark him out as the most suitable man for the job. The fact that he has not been so successful a leader as Vithal and Wazir Ali does not stand to his discredit. Some factors beyond his control have so far deprived him of his just dues. It is earnestly hoped that before he bids 'adieu' to representative Cricket—and it cannot be long before Anno Domini compels him to do so—he would earn his share of laurels with the fullest co-operation of his associates and colleagues in the field.

WISDOM AT LAST!

The Hindu selectors deserve to be complimented on their wisdom, which has dawned on them at last!—in co-opting Major Nayudu on their Committee. It has been long-standing complaint with the Hindus that they never take Counsel with their Captain in the selection of their team. They choose their men and change them at their own sweet will. Isn't it too much to expect a skipper to lead his side to victory when he is given no hand in building it up? Let us hope that such inconsiderate action will be a thing of the past. The Hindus have not only the best materials among all the communities engaged in the Pentangular, but also the rosiest chances of out doing them all in the ensuing tournament.

ATHLETIC SEASON COMMENCES

With the end of the monsoon, the Bombay Presidency Olympic Association has commenced its weekly programmes. It will go on every Sunday morning till the Provincial Games are held in January next. Last two Sundays saw two Road Races of 5,000 and 10,000 metres and two Walking Races over the same distance. Stephen D'Souza of their H. V. M. triumphed in both the former events and C. B. Michael of the Y. M. C. A. proved successful in the latter. The distance will go on increasing gradually till the Marathon Race and the 50 kilometres walk are reached, giving the competitors an even opportunity of training themselves for the climax. There will be other events too in the meanwhile.

ZONAL GAMES

I have been reliably informed that the Zonal Games which could not be held last year for various reasons will be definitely held this year. The cancellation of the M. C. C. visit and the holding of the Pentangular earlier will make the way clear. I understand the Suburban and the North Zones have already decided to hold their meets at the first and second week-ends of December. The Central and the South Zones are sure to follow in their wake. This gives ample time to all prospective competitors to be in their trim in proper time. Some people complain that the I. O. A. and the provincial Olympic Associations do not give sufficient opportunities and encouragement to our athletes for rising to great heights. If the athletes do not avail themselves of the chances now, they can hardly blame the associations for their own backwardness.

BENGAL CHANGES MIND

Soon after the European war started the Bengal Cricket Association initiated the move for the suspension of the All-India Cricket Championship this season. Fortunately, the majority of the provincial associations were not contaminated by their panic. Most of them having voted for the continuance of the tournament, Bengal has now fallen into line. They have agreed to participate in it. Everybody welcomes this decision. The absence of the holders would have robbed the competition some of its interest. Arrangements are already afoot for the staging of the tournament. During the next few weeks, India will see some interesting cricket in its different centres. It is hoped that it will see its way through without any hitch or interruption.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Premier's Resolution And Indian Merchants' Chamber

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—During the two days the Prime Minister's resolution on the War was being discussed, I was sitting in the Assembly galleries eagerly expecting the representative of the Indian Merchants' Chamber to get up and give expression to the views of the Merchant community. I am a member of the Indian Merchants' Chamber and I have voted for Mr. M. C. Ghia, who was put up by the Nationalist Group in the Chamber. Although Mr. Ghia was present in the House during the debate, he did not try even once to catch the Speaker's eye. Evidently he had made up his mind to shirk his responsibility on a crucial occasion like this. But this was not all. I was shocked, sir, to find that some time before the vote was taken on the resolution, Mr. Ghia, left the Assembly Hall and avoided exercising his vote. This is most extraordinary, to say the least about it. Would Mr. Ghia, or the President of the Indian Merchans' Chamber, kindly explain this strange conduct on the part of its representative? It is significant to note in this connection that Mr. Sakerlal Balabhai, representative of the Ahmedabad Millowners' Association, voted with Congress members.—Yours, etc.,

A MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER.

Bombay, Oct. 28

Prophet Mahomed

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I beg the hospitality of your paper to bring before the eyes of the Muslims how their Holy Prophet and their Quran and the beliefs they hold sacred are being ridiculed even to this day by persons ostensibly educated and cultured.

My brethren will be shocked to hear that one D. H. Keller has dared to call the Holy Prophet "an epileptic". The following extract is taken from an article of his entitled "The Failure of Contraception" in the "Radiant Health" of Amritsar, in its issue of January 1939. The publishers of this journal are the Steno ...se Agency, Amritsar, Punjab. The objec... extract runs as follows:—

"One of the prominent and outstanding mental characteristics of the human race is its willingness to accept any statement without waiting to have it scientifically proved a fact. Hastily we recall that many millions of individuals have believed the word of an "epileptic" Mohammad that he visited all the Seven Heavens, the belief in the Seven Sleepers of Ephesus".

The Punjab Government should be moved for taking necessary action.—Yours, etc.,

M. O. GANI,
For General Secretary,
Assam Arabic Students' Assn.,
Calcutta.

October 10.

CHURCHILL AS PROSPECTIVE PREMIER

Continued from Page 6.

parties are completely identified with the Government's war and foreign policies, it is no matter for surprise that they should not demur to the financial burdens laid upon the country by the Chancellor of the Exchequer. The only item to which the Opposition parties, particularly the Labour Opposition, took exception was the sugar tax. However, the Chancellor stood firm in his demand and the Opposition had naturally to give way. The general want of brilliance displayed by the present heads of the Government as well as their past record have combined to make the question of an alternative leadership a very live one. The presence of Mr. Churchill in the Cabinet has introduced a complicating factor. Mr. Churchill is, perhaps, the most inspiring and forceful personality in the Cabinet and has in the past few weeks established a firmer hold than ever on the public imagination. His speech in the House of Commons reviewing the work of the Royal Navy as well as his broadcast transmitted to America surveying the first month of the war were alike enthusiastically received by the public not only in this country but also in the Dominions and the United States. Most commentators further went out of their way to compare the admirable and heartening character of Mr. Churchill's phrases with those of Mr. Chamberlain's restrained and colourless statements in the House of Commons usually to the disadvantage of the latter. Not a few indications are to be found in the Press suggesting that Mr. Churchill is considered in many quarters to be the person who could give the nation the kind of leadership that it deserves. Mr. Churchill has of course all along emphatically disagreed with Mr. Chamberlain's foreign policy and together with Mr. Eden, he is known to have been among the foremost opponents of appeasement. It is probable, therefore, that he does not see eye to eye on every question with his colleagues in the War Cabinet.

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Mr. Churchill (Americans have nicknamed him Bulldog Churchill) is their prisoner, for the timebeing. But it is being widely recognised that he is also likely to be the future master of the Cabinet. That even now there is possibly a difference of opinion in the Cabinet was clearly revealed in Mr. Churchill's broadcast on Sunday last when he frankly justified the Soviet intervention in Eastern Europe and declared that there were some people in this country who regretted that the Soviet had not been able to take action as a proclaimed friend and ally of the Western Powers. It is impossible at the moment to forsee where Mr. Churchill's opinions would ultimately take him and how far he is likely to divert to himself loyalty that is for the time being offered by scores of Tory M.P.'s to Mr. Chamberlain and his associates. In any event it is certain that Mr. Churchill is entering upon the most fruitful and active phase of his long and brilliant career.

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Madras Governor's Quest For Ministry

OPPOSITION LEADER DECLINES OFFER

Kumar Raja On Indications Of Further Viceroy-Congress Talks

MADRAS, October 29.

HIS Excellency the Governor this morning received the Kumararajah Muthiah Chettiar of Chettinad who informed His Excellency, that in the present circumstances, he was unable to accept the invitation to assist in forming a Council of Ministers.

OPPOSITION LEADER EXPLAINS POSITION

The Kumararajah, the leader of the Opposition in the Madras Assembly, interviewed by the Associated Press said:—

"His Excellency the Governor summoned me on Friday evening and invited me to assist in forming a Council of Ministers. Though at that very interview, I made His Excellency understand, that I may not be of help in the matter under the existing circumstances, I thought, I may give a considered reply to-day. I met His Excellency again to-day at 11 a. m. and intimated to His Excellency that, under the existing circumstances, I must respectfully decline the invitation to assist in forming a Council of Ministers.

I consider—and I may say, that my view is shared by many—that the resignation of the Ministers here is merely a temporary attempt on the part of the Congress to force the British Government to accept the Congress demand.

There are indications of further negotiations between H. E. the Viceroy and the Congress. Many are under the impression, that the Congress may not altogether withdraw from the field of their parliamentary programme, if somehow that could be made possible. Perhaps, that is the reason why, only in our Province, where there is a very big majority for the Congress, that the Congress Ministers have resigned first, though resolutions moved in accordance with the Wardha decision have already been passed in some other Provinces also."—A. P

Notice On Sir Abdulla Haroon

KARACHI, Oct. 29.

The District Magistrate of Sukkur has served a notice on Sir Abdulla Haroon, M.L.A. (Central), to get the Manzilgah vacated, intimating that the Government would otherwise take steps to do the same.

It may be mentioned that the Muslims have taken forcible possession of the building.—United Press.

SIND HINDUS AND MANZILGAH DISPUTE

KARACHI, October 29

Resolutions calling upon the Hindu Ministers if Sind to be firm and have the Manzilgah vacated before negotiating any further with the Muslims, demanding the appointment of an independent Tribunal consisting of at least two independent High Court Judges from outside Sind, and declaring that the Hindus of Sind would not agree to any other Tribunal were adopted at a representative conference of Hindus of Sind held at Bunder Road, under the presidency of Mr. Virumal Begraj.

The resolutions further called upon the Government to take immediate steps to end the "lawlessness" at the Manzilgah ground in Sukkur and failing that calling upon their representatives in the Cabinet and the non-Muslim members in the Assembly to dissociate themselves from the Ministerial Party.—United Press.

CONGRESS CAMPAIGN IN SIND

KARACHI, October 29

A number of district political conferences are being organised by the Congress authorities in every district in Sind, with a view to explain the instructions issued by the Congress Working Committee. The Nawabshah District Political Conference will be held at Deparaja in the next month.—United Press.

Dr. B. C. Roy

LAHORE, Oct. 28.

Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, member of the Congress Working Committee after a two-days halt at Lahore left this morning for Delhi by car reaching there in the evening.

Dr. Roy leaves for Calcutta after a three-days halt at Delhi.—United Press.

System That Bars Progress

Madras Minister Indicts Provincial Autonomy On Eve Of Resignation

(From Our Correspondent.)

MADRAS, Oct. 28.

"On the eve of vacating office I can say that the existing system under which we were functioning as Ministers has been such as would retard the progress even if the gods come down to do things better and quicker" Thus observed Mr. T. Parkasam, Revenue Minister, to-night narratting the circumstances leading to the resignation. The occasion was the celebration of the Silver Jubilee of the Madras Provincial Co-operative Union.

GURUKUL BHAWAN OPENED

Students Advised To Be Honest And Simple

(From A Correspondent.)

BEAWAR, Oct. 28.

Rao Bahadur Ramlalji Kimti, Hyderabad, and Seth Fulchandji Parekh, Nagpur, opened Magnibai Gurukul Bhawan and Hospital erected by Danveer Sardarmalji Pungalia and others' at a cost of Rs. 35,000.

The Gurukul Students' Conference also met, Mr. T. G. Shah presiding.

The President, in an eloquent speech, which was highly appreciated by the audience, laid stress on honest living which depended on simplicity of speech beautifully illustrated by Mahatma.

Messrs. Bhagwandinji Jenendrakumar, T. G. Shah and others spoke in the Gurukul meeting and an appeal for a fund was made by Mahatma. Collection of about Rs. 7,000 was announced.

SIROHI POLITICAL PRISONERS' DAY

SIROHI, October 29

The first Political Prisoners' Day was observed all over the State. Two under-trial politicals have been committed to the Sessions under Section 124-A on two charges.—United Press.

Akkalkot Ruler In Accident

(From Our Correspondent)

Kolhapur. By Mail.

The Rajasaheb of Akkalkot who met with an accident and was severely wounded on Friday last, while motoring from Poona to Kolhapur to see his brother-in-law, the Chief of Kagal Senior, has made very good progress during the week and it is hoped that he will shortly be able to resume his normal duties. H. H. the Chatrapati Maharajasaheb of Kolhapur paid a visit yesterday to the Kagal House and inquired of the Rajasaheb's health.

2,000 ARRESTS IN MYSORE

Public Security Act In Action

(From Our Correspondent)

BANGALORE, (By Mail)

More than 2,000 persons have been arrested all over the State since the campaign of civil resistance started on September 2. These include 89 persons arrested under the newly enacted Public Security Act.

The following list shows the details of arrests in the several districts.

KOLAR

631 arrests at Kolar Gold Fields, for defying the orders under Sec. 39. 2 arrests under Sec. 124 A. in the Kolar District and are duly convicted. Total arrests at Kolar District is 638 including 5 arrests in connection with Forest Satyagraha.

MYSORE DISTRICT

210 persons are arrested at Mysore City for defying prohibitory order under Sec. 144. 3 arrests under Sec. 124 A. and 3 more arrests under Sec. 107 I.P.C. Total arrests 216.

TUMKUR DISTRICT

272 Satyagrahis have been arrested in connection with Forest Satyagraha. 29 arrests under Sec. 39 I.P.C. 1 arrest under Sec. 124 A. Total arrests 297.

SHIMOGA DISTRICT

278 arrests during Forest Satyagraha. 3 arrests under the Defence of India Act. and 1 under Sec. 124 A. Total 282.

CHITALDURG DISTRICT

264 arrests during Forest Satyagraha, 1 under Sec. 124. A., and 5 under Sec. 107. Total 271.

BANGALORE DISTRICT

285 arrests for having fone in procession holding the National Flags and placards and uttering Congress slogans. And 2 arrests under Sec. 124 A. Total 287.

KADUR DISTRICT

1 arrest under Sec. 124 A. and 9 under Sec. 45 of I.P.C. Total 10.

HASSAN DISTRICT

1 arrest under Sec. 124 A., and 1 under Sec. 45 I.P.C. Total 2.

A. R. P. LECTURES AT BHAVNAGAR

(From A Correspondent).

BHAVNAGAR, (By Mail).

At the special request of the Diwan of Bhavnagar, Mr. Z. M. Contractor, Transport Officer and A. R. P. Inspector of the Parsi Ambulance Division was sent by Air on Monday, (9th October 1939) for delivering lectures in Intensive and Short Courses and also for State A. R. P. Organisation.

In this short period of six days he delivered 15 lectures and one public lecture in Gujerati at Natraj Theatre, for which 700 Durbar invitations were issued for State officials and their families and arrangements were made by loud speakers in the adjoining "Gangajalia" Maidan, for general public, who were informed by handbills and public proclamation.

Besides these, a sudden Blackout was staged on Thursday (12th October, 1939) which was very successful as the whole city was darkened within a short period and State Military, Police, A. R. P. Volunteers, many of the State Officials, including the Dewan and His Highness the Maharaja, all reported at A. R. P. Headquarters within seven minutes of the air raid warning. Selections of First-Aid Post and Anti-Gas Cleansing Stations were also carried out during the period.

This is the first of the Indian States who started its A. R. P. Training and Organisation and the Parsi Ambulance Division is the first organisation which has undertaken to give A. R. P. Training in different Native States.

Indian Sailors Arrested

Sequel To Refusal To Work And Demand For Compensation

RANGOON, Oct. 28.

Forty-nine Indian crew of the Bibby Liner Staffordshire now in Rangoon harbour who signed the contract at Calcutta refused to work and travel by the ship when she was about to leave Rangoon. The crew demanded doubling of their wages and award of compensation to their families in case of any untoward happening. No amount of persuasion could move them from their stand. They were subsequently arrested by the police.—United Press.

BURMESE LINE UP WITH INDIA

Freedom Bloc Calls For Special Session Of Legislature

RANGOON, Oct. 28.

A meeting of the Burma Freedom Bloc was held at the residence of Dr. Ba Maw when it was decided to urge His Excellency the Governor and the Council of Ministers to call a special session of the Burma Legislature to consider the question of Burma in the present war and express its attitude towards the same.

The Freedom Bloc is almost following the policy of the Indian National Congress in Burma.—United Press.

TREATMENT OF VICTIMS OF POISON GAS

KARACHI, October 29

A de-contamination block, where victims of poison gas after an air raid will be treated, is now under construction in the Karachi Civil Hospital. The block will consist of seven rooms and will cost about Rs. 5,000.—United Press.

CROP SCARCITY IN BROACH

BARODA, Oct. 29.

News has been received from Broach that as a sequel to scarcity of crops there is under-production of crops in many parts of the district. Cotton crop is not estimated to be more than four annas this season.—United Press.

RAJKOT "REFORMS"

'GREATER CAMOUFLAGE' HAS RARELY BEEN SEEN

Praja Parishad Chief Exposes "Popular Ministry"

UNIVERSAL FRANCHISE ABOLISHED AND MAJORITY REDUCED TO MINORITY

THE NEW SCHEME OF RAJKOT REFORMS IS DEVISED WITH THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING, FORTIFYING AND STRENGTHENING THE PRESENT AUTOCRATIC HOLD ON THE PEOPLE, SAYS SJT. DHEBAR, THE PRESIDENT OF THE RAJKOT PRAJA PARISHAD IN THE COURSE OF A STATEMENT ON THE REFORMS JUST ANNOUNCED BY THE RULER.

RAJKOT, Oct. 29.

The following is the full Text of Mr. Dhebar's statement:—

"I have carefully considered the Reforms announcement made by Rajkot State yesterday. My first reactions, are that the new scheme is devised with the purpose of maintaining, fortifying and strengthening the present autocratic hold on the people.

IN A NUT-SHELL

Universal franchise enjoyed by us for a decade and half has been abolished. Property qualifications which were absolutely absent till now, have been introduced and the fully elected representative assembly with elected President has been abolished and a Sabha, loaded with 33 per cent. nominated members, and the Dewan as President has been brought into being.

MAJORITY REDUCED TO MINORITY

The result will be, that a large section of our people will be disenfranchised, representative character of the Sabha will be reduced to half or less than half of its present character; the majority composed of about 80 per cent. of the whole population of the State will be reduced to a minority with 44 per cent. representation in the Sabha and rights of the Sabha will pass from the people to official hands.

Coming to the function of the Sabha, it shall have to forgo its widest powers of legislation, which it has possessed so far, subject, of course, to the usual powers of the ruler of vetoing and of emergency legislation, and the ruler besides, will have further power of "full control" over it. It is not clear, what full control means, or what becomes, of present powers of regulating taxation in the State.

THE BUDGET

Next comes the Budget. It is clear that there is no desire to stick to the agreement of December 26, 1938 and to limit the expenditure of the Ruler to 10 or 12 per cent. This is a vital problem with the people of Rajkot, who find that during four or five years before 1937, the Ruler's expenditure had gone to six lacs out of the total gross revenue of about 13 lacs. Omnibus items such as 'Bardashi,' stables and gardens will remain non-votable.

RESPONSIBILITY

Then comes the question of responsibility. The announcement makes no secret of the State's intention to go back upon its promise to transfer the widest powers possible to people, as announced on 26th December last. The announcement positively discards it and introduces vague phrase viz: "Association of the people."

But even the little that it gives, is given in a spirit of mockery and ridicule. Three departments will be transferred to popular Ministers. Though they will be elected members, they will not be persons commanding confidence of the House. Though they will be responsible to the Sabha, they will be ultimately responsible to the Ruler only.

POPULAR MINISTRY.

Though they will be called and considered popular ministers they cannot be removed by the House except by 3/4 majority or in other words, the voice of all elected members would count for nothing so long as six nominated members also joined with them. Such ministers, with no more powers than those of heads of departments which are again not defined, selected by bureaucracy, retained and maintained and supported by it, will be safer in their seats so long as they have only 15 members on their side and yet the Sabha will be liable for their actions.

A greater camouflage has rarely been seen.

PROTEST AGAINST RAJKOT REFORMS

Feeling Strong Against Retrogressive Steps

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, Oct. 29.

The Rajkot public has been stunned by the constitutional reforms declared by the Rajkot State yesterday. A public meeting has been called by Mr. Dhebar under the auspices of Sewa Mandal to-morrow night to protest against the retrogressive steps of the state. Meanwhile Mr. Odhawji Ahya, local worker and old member of the Praja Pritinidhi Sabha has published his views in a statement deprecating in unequivocal terms of reforms. Mr. Ahya considers the reforms as snatching away privileges conferred to the people by late ruler on the plea that the franchise is very much curtailed and the terms of candidature are made exorbitantly strict thus depriving the people of full representation.

Yuvak Sangh Spokesman's Statement

Esmail Hirani, President and Vajubhai Ehukla, Secretary Yuvak Sangh interviewed in connection with the new reform's said: "The scheme does not give even a shadow of real power. The assembly will be a sheer farce as a popular majority can never be attained in its framework. It erases many good features of the old Praja Pratinidhi Sabha. The constitution introduces a number of undesirable even evil elements and imposes communal prejudices, which are fictitious. The bubble of boast that the State will stick to the Thakore Saheb's notification No. 50 dated 26/12/28 promising transfer of the widest powers possible is burst. The scheme, being highly reactionary, can never be acceptable in its present form and deserves to be rejected, boycotted and fought tooth and nail".

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INSPECTOR WADE

THE POISON THORN

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